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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The work of Illinois government requires constant efforts from many unrecognized individuals who keep the proverbial wheels of state turning; and

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WHEREAS, The work of one such individual, Cheryl Waak, who, for 21 years has served the House of Representatives with intelligence and grace, certainly deserves our praise today, the final day of her duty to the House; and

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WHEREAS, Cheryl Waak began her political activism in 1992 and began working for Illinois State Representative Dave Winters in 1995; she worked with Representative Winters until he resigned his position in August of 2012, at which time she began working for newly-appointed State Representative John M. Cabello; former Representative Winters has said that she was exceptional at working with various agencies and has a sterling reputation for getting things done for each Representative's constituency; and

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WHEREAS, Prior to working as a Legislative Assistant, Cheryl Waak worked for 10 years as a teacher's aide in a computer class, where she taught countless children and was considered a surrogate mother to many of her students; she was also a Parent Teacher Organization President for many years;

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2 WHEREAS, Cheryl Waak is a deeply spiritual woman and is
3 heavily involved with Bethesda Covenant Church, where she sits
4 on the Women's Leadership team; and

5 WHEREAS, Cheryl Waak met her husband, Charles "Chuck" Waak,
6 at a school dance in 1963 and began dating in 1964; Chuck and
7 Cheryl were married by her father on November 18, 1967; the
8 couple has been married for 48 years and together have three
9 children, Jason, Robert, and Karyn, and eight grandchildren;
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11 WHEREAS, Cheryl Waak serves as a model of hard work,
12 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
13 Illinois; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
16 congratulate Cheryl Waak on the occasion of her retirement and
17 wish her continued success and happiness in the future; and be
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Cheryl Waak as a symbol of our esteem and respect.