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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Troy D. VanAken Ph.D. on  
4 being inaugurated as the 14th President of Elmhurst College;  
5 and

6           WHEREAS, Dr. VanAken began his term as President on July 1,  
7 2016; and

8           WHEREAS, Dr. VanAken has had an extensive and varied  
9 career, including experience as a senior administrator,  
10 mathematics professor, business entrepreneur, and athletic  
11 director; and

12           WHEREAS, Before coming to Elmhurst College, Dr. VanAken  
13 served as President and professor of mathematics at Thiel  
14 College; prior to his time at Thiel College, he served in a  
15 number of roles at Albion College; he began his career in  
16 higher education at the University of Evansville; and

17           WHEREAS, Dr. VanAken has served as a high school football  
18 and track coach; he has done committee work for the NCAA and  
19 collegiate athletic conferences; and

20           WHEREAS, Dr. VanAken is active in economic and community

1 development; he started three successful technology-related  
2 companies; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. VanAken is a native of Michigan; he and his  
4 wife, Dr. Annette VanAken, have two children; Trey and  
5 Gabriella; he holds a master's degree and a doctoral degree in  
6 mathematics from Bowling Green State University, and a Bachelor  
7 of Science from Hillsdale College; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
10 congratulate Troy D. VanAken Ph.D. on being inaugurated as the  
11 14th President of Elmhurst College; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Dr. VanAken as an expression of our esteem and  
14 respect.