

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize milestone events in
4 the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on December 19, 1936, Thomas Sweeney joined
6 the Niles Fire Department on June 5, 1967; he was promoted to
7 Fire Lieutenant on October 7, 1974 and served as a Company
8 Commander of Truck 2 until his retirement in November, 2001;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, During his career with the Niles Fire
11 Department, Thomas Sweeney volunteered to become a paramedic
12 and graduated in 1977 with the highest scholastic standing of
13 his class and was awarded the "Golden Stethoscope" in
14 recognition of his work; and

15 WHEREAS, Thomas Sweeney was awarded the "Firefighter of
16 the Year" award in 1978 by the Niles V.F.W. and the Niles
17 Lions Club for outstanding service to the community; he also
18 received five Letters of Commendation during his career; and

19 WHEREAS, Thomas Sweeney had an excellent work record,
20 rarely used his sick leave, and always displayed a pleasant
21 and positive attitude in his position as Fire Lieutenant;
22 above all, he was an excellent firefighter and still
23 continues to maintain his physical fitness to this day; he
24 officially retired on November 25, 2001 after 34 years and 5
25 months of dedicated and loyal service with the Niles Fire
26 Department; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
28 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
29 we congratulate Thomas Sweeney on his retirement after 34
30 years and 5 months with the Niles Fire Department, and we
31 wish him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it

1 further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to Thomas Sweeney as an expression of our esteem.