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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to recognize the life of Michael "Mike"  
4 Grenda and his dedication to the North Chicago community; and

5           WHEREAS, Mike Grenda graduated from Illinois State  
6 University in 1999 and began his educational career in 2000 as  
7 an English teacher; he was in the classroom for five years  
8 until he finished his master's degree in educational leadership  
9 and organizational change and became the dean of students and  
10 head football coach at North Chicago High School; he then  
11 became the principal of Greenbay Elementary School; he  
12 transferred to the Neal Math and Science Academy for eight  
13 years, and now currently serves as principal of the A.J.  
14 Katzenmaier Academy where he continues to build a culture and  
15 climate for learning and pushes both staff and cadets to hold  
16 themselves to high expectations, as he does for himself; and

17           WHEREAS, Mike Grenda served as football coach, speech  
18 coach, conditioning coach, track coach, and basketball  
19 announcer at North Chicago Community High School; in 2005, he  
20 became the only coach in North Chicago history to take a team  
21 to the state playoffs; he holds the record for most wins in a  
22 single season as a coach; and

1           WHEREAS, Mike Grenda phrase's "Who's House?!... Our  
2 House!" is now a part of the North Chicago High School  
3 community; and

4           WHEREAS, Mike Grenda's plans include leading North Chicago  
5 back to the premier educational status that the students  
6 deserve, and staying loyal to both the district and families he  
7 has been serving for the last nineteen years; and

8           WHEREAS, Mike Grenda has been a positive role model and has  
9 touched many lives; he never passes up an opportunity to serve  
10 students; therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
12 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
13 recognize the life of Michael "Mike" Grenda and his dedication  
14 to the North Chicago community, and we wish him many more  
15 wonderful years; and be it further

16           RESOLVED, That as suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to Mike Grenda as a symbol of our respect and esteem.