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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate their colleague, State 4 Rep. Reggie Phillips, on the occasion of his retirement as 5 State Representative of the 110th District after serving three 6 distinguished terms in the General Assembly; and 7 WHEREAS, Rep. Phillips grew up in Arthur; after graduating 8 high school, he and his wife, Martha, received their 9 associate's degrees from Lakeland College; they went on to 10 obtain their Bachelor of Science degrees from Eastern Illinois University; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Rep. Phillips and Martha have been married for 39 13 years and currently reside in Charleston; they have four adult 14 children and 10 grandchildren; and WHEREAS, In addition to his commitment to public service, 15 Rep. Phillips and Martha started a residential and commercial 16 building business in Charleston in 1986, which now employs 17 18 approximately 400 people; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Phillips has made a positive impact in our state during his six years of service in the General Assembly; and

- 1 WHEREAS, During the budget impasse, Rep. Phillips played a
- 2 key role in advocating for his district, especially Eastern
- 3 Illinois University; in July of 2017, following a multi-year
- 4 budget stalemate, he successfully secured funding for Eastern
- 5 Illinois University in the state budget; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Not only did Rep. Phillips fight for EIU, he has
- 7 been a voice for making Illinois a more competitive and
- 8 attractive place to live and conduct business; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Rep. Phillips' commitment to public service and
- 10 business experience has been invaluable to the General Assembly
- and the House Republican Caucus; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 13 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 14 honor State Representative Reggie Phillips for his work in the
- 15 Illinois House of Representatives and wish him our best on his
- 16 retirement; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to Rep. Phillips as an expression of our esteem and
- 19 respect.