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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Beth Cassity on the occasion of her retirement as Supervisor and Drug Court Coordinator of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit after 31 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Beth Cassity has lived in Tamaroa her entire life; she earned her bachelor's degree in Family Services from Eastern Illinois University in 1982; she married Brian Cassity, and they had two children; she earned her M.A. in Education from McKendree University in 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Beth Cassity began her career with the Perry County Probation Department on April 10, 1989; she was promoted to Senior Probation Officer on June 1, 2015; she was promoted to supervisor over Perry, Washington, Randolph, and Monroe Counties on December 8, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Beth Cassity partnered with Judge Daniel Emge to bring a drug court to Washington and Perry counties; she spent countless hours preparing data, visiting sites, and developing a drug court program conducive to her rural community; through her efforts, the program started on February 1, 2018; she took on the roles of both Drug Court Coordinator and Drug Court

1 Officer, maintaining both of her new positions on top of an  
2 already demanding schedule as supervisor; and

3 WHEREAS, Beth Cassity has received a number of awards and  
4 letters of commendation during her career, including the IPCSA  
5 Distinguished Service Award in 2013 and the IPCSA Pauline  
6 Gansauer Award in 2018; she was selected to serve on the  
7 Women's Justice Institute-led "Redefining the Narrative" Task  
8 Force, which organized 100 women Statewide to provide guidance  
9 in women's rights with the goals of reducing the female prison  
10 population, reducing harm caused to women and their families  
11 within the system, and promoting wellness among them; and

12 WHEREAS, Beth Cassity continued her selfless acts off duty  
13 by being involved in her community; she served on the Tamaroa  
14 School Board for over 20 years, coordinated the Tamaroa  
15 Homecoming from 1993 to 2001, and spearheaded a class reunion  
16 to reunite all the alumni from Tamaroa High School, which  
17 closed in 1988; and

18 WHEREAS, Beth Cassity is known for her professionalism,  
19 dedication, friendliness, and overall spirit; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
21 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
22 we congratulate Beth Cassity on the occasion of her retirement,

1 thank her for her many years of service to the Twentieth  
2 Judicial Circuit, and wish her many happy and healthy  
3 retirement years; and be it further

4       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
5 presented to Beth Cassity as an expression of our esteem and  
6 respect.