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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Billy McDaniel on the 4 occasion of his retirement as Mayor of the City of Metropolis; 5 and WHEREAS, Mayor McDaniel has faithfully served the citizens 6 7 of Metropolis for 20 years; he first served as alderman for 8 Ward Three from 2001 to 2005 and then as mayor from 2005 to 9 2021; and 10 WHEREAS, Prior to public service, Mayor McDaniel was the 11 owner for 32 years of Bill's Bar-B-Q, a business started by his 12 father in 1965; and 13 WHEREAS, During his time in public office, Mayor McDaniel has been a part of many improvements for Metropolis, including 14 the industrial park, a state-of-the-art soccer complex and 15 16 baseball facility, a new water plant, and programs for seniors 17 and youth; and 18 WHEREAS, Mayor McDaniel's steady leadership shepherded Metropolis through several natural disasters, including the 19 20 200-year flood in 2011 and the 150-year ice storm in 2009; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Mayor McDaniel has been a welcoming presence to
- the many visitors of Metropolis particularly during the annual
- 3 Superman Celebration and the Fort Massac Encampment, which
- 4 each bring tens of thousands of tourists; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mayor McDaniel is noted for his hard work as
- 6 mayor and his dedication to the position, maintaining an
- 7 open-door policy and working an estimated 51,000 hours; and
- 8 WHEREAS, In his spare time, Mayor McDaniel enjoys spending
- 9 time with his wife of 52 years, Betty, and their daughter,
- 10 Robbin; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 13 we congratulate Metropolis Mayor Billy McDaniel on his
- 14 retirement, thank him for his service, and wish him the best in
- all his future endeavors; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to Billy McDaniel as a symbol of our respect and
- 18 esteem.