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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Larry Suffredin on the occasion of his retirement as Cook County Commissioner; and

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WHEREAS, During his 20-year tenure as a County Commissioner, Commissioner Suffredin sponsored ordinances and resolutions that codified county laws for the first time, saved the old county hospital building from demolition, created the successful Independent Health and Hospital Board, gave Cook County an assault weapons ban, raised the minimum wage, changed the leadership structure for the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, created an Independent Inspector General, and created an Eviction and Mortgage Foreclosures Court protocol to protect people's homes; he co-sponsored an amendment to the Cook County Human Rights Ordinance redefining "source of income" to include all lawful sources of income, including housing choice vouchers; and

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WHEREAS, As a forest preserve commissioner, Commissioner Suffredin sponsored ordinances and resolutions that required children to wear bike helmets, created the Next Century Conservation Council, expanded land restoration, encouraged an expansion of the Master Stewart program, and expanded the role of trained volunteers; and

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1           WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin wrote by-laws adopted by  
2 the suburban commissioners that reformed the procedures for  
3 selecting METRA, PACE, and RTA directors, which led to a Cook  
4 County resident becoming the METRA chair for the first time;  
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6           WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin's leadership and  
7 collaborative efforts led to bipartisan support from the Cook  
8 County Board of Commissioners on ethics reform ordinances; and

9           WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin was also integral in the  
10 2020 redistricting process; 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 Larry Suffredin on his retirement as Cook  
14 County Commissioner and wish him the best in all his future  
15 endeavors; and be it further

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