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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Deborah Lane on the
4 occasion of her retirement from the Chicago Transit Authority;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane has been a member of her union for 31
7 years and has served in a number of positions, including as
8 former president of the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU)
9 Illinois Joint Conference and as financial secretary of the
10 Amalgamated Transit Union - Local 308; and

11 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane has deep ties to the labor movement
12 in Illinois; in 1953, she first took a union steward class, and
13 in 2017, she was mentored by the legendary Chicago Teachers
14 Union President Karen Lewis; and

15 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane, as the head of the ATU Illinois
16 Joint Conference, represented 15 union locals and almost
17 20,000 members from across the State of Illinois; and

18 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane is a fighter for working people; she
19 assisted in the process of winning important benefits for
20 workers in the 2018 ATU-CTA contract, which included pay
21 increases of 9.5% and a freeze on healthcare increases for her

1 membership; and

2 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane has played an integral role in
3 electing Democrats across the country, including President
4 Joseph Biden, Governor J.B. Pritzker, Mayor Lori Lightfoot,
5 and Senator Warnock; most recently, she served as campaign
6 manager for Congressman Jonathan Jackson; and

7 WHEREAS, Deborah Lane's family is just as important to her
8 as her work; she is the proud mother of three, Errin, Erwin,
9 and Nicholas, and is the daughter of Mamie L. Cosey and the
10 late Rev. Richard C. Cosey; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we congratulate Deborah Lane on her retirement from the
14 Chicago Transit Authority; and be it further

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