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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, James Durkan of Indian Head Park has been named Man of the Year by the West Suburban Chamber of Commerce in La Grange; and

WHEREAS, Jim Durkan is president and CEO of Community Memorial Foundation, which was established in August 1995 following the sale of La Grange Memorial Hospital; the Foundation has a mission to improve the health of people who live and work in the western suburbs of Chicago, with strategic initiatives in building organizational effectiveness, early childhood development, youth development, and older adult support; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Durkan's experience in the volunteer and community sectors includes serving as President of the Hinsdale Center for the Arts Board, member of the Board of Pets & Pals Charities, member of the Board of Directors of Harris Bank Central Region, and board member-elect of the Siragusa Foundation in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Durkan also serves on the following committees: the Health Affinity Group of the Donors Forum of Chicago; Grantmakers in Aging 2006 Annual Conference Program Planning Committee; the "Aging Well" Governing Council (co-chair); the Zook Home & Studio Preservation Committee; the Hinsdale Health & Welfare Planning Committee; the Chicago Sister Cities International Committee; the State of Illinois Charitable Advisory Council; the State of Illinois Assuring Better Child Health and Development Initiative; and the West Suburban Chamber of Commerce Golf Committee, of which he is Chair; he also served as past president of the West Suburban Chamber of Commerce and Industry and board director of the Donors Forum of Chicago; and

1           WHEREAS, Prior to joining Community Memorial Foundation,  
2 Mr. Durkan worked in marketing, strategic planning, and fund  
3 development for hospitals in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and  
4 Illinois; he was educated at St. Patrick's College in Ireland  
5 and received his M.B.A. from the Keller Graduate School of  
6 Management in Chicago; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we congratulate James Durkan on being named Man of the Year by  
10 the West Suburban Chamber of Commerce, and we wish him  
11 continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it  
12 further

13           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to James Durkan as an expression of our esteem.