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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Timothy E. Gillian 4 for his service as Commissioner of the Village of Forest Park; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Commissioner Timothy E. Gillian was first elected 7 Commissioner of the Village of Forest Park on April 4, 1995; on 8 April 24, 1995, he was appointed to the Department of Streets 9 and Public Improvements; and

10 WHEREAS, As the Commissioner of the Department of Streets 11 and Public Improvements, Commissioner Gillian was charged with 12 overseeing the erection, making, and reconstruction of all 13 street improvements, paving, curbing, sewers and public 14 improvements, underground utilities, and the collection and 15 disposal of garbage and rubbish; and

16 WHEREAS, On April 13, 1999, Commissioner Gillian was 17 reelected and appointed to the Department of Accounts and 18 Finance and as the Commissioner of Accounts and Finance; he was 19 the Vice President of the Village Council and charged with 20 overseeing the finances of the Village, as well as the 21 operations of the Fire Department and Village Clerk's Office; 22 he also took on the role as village liaison to the Forest Park HR0464 -2- LRB095 12139 GRL 36209 r Main Street Redevelopment Association; and

2 WHEREAS, On April 1, 2003, Commissioner Gillian was once 3 again elected and reappointed to the position of Accounts and 4 Finance; and

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5 WHEREAS, During his 12 years as an elected official, 6 Commissioner Gillian was influential in the reconstruction, 7 design and streetscape of Madison Street in Forest Park's 8 Downtown District, bringing about a much needed revitalization 9 and creating facade and business improvement grants to attract 10 new businesses, all the while encouraging existing businesses 11 to make aesthetic improvements; and

12 WHEREAS, The reconstruction of Madison Street earned the 13 Village of Forest Park the coveted Governor's Home Town Award 14 and nine Illinois Main Street Awards; and

15 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gillian staunchly supported the 16 creation of the positions of Village Administrator and Finance 17 Director/Comptroller, positions new to the Village that 18 require higher levels of education and professionalism; and

19 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gillian successfully negotiated an 20 agreement for the removal and disposal of garbage in which the 21 Village's residents received garbage "toters", thus improving HR0464 -3- LRB095 12139 GRL 36209 r the appearance of their alleys and providing for better waste containment throughout the community; and

3 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gillian supported a 10 million 4 dollar water infrastructure upgrade project which resulted in 5 better water flow throughout the community and increased water 6 pressure to village fire hydrants; and

7 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gillian supported a number of Tax 8 Increment Financing Districts and Business Improvement 9 Districts to encourage business growth and was influential in 10 the creation and adoption of number of Economic Incentive 11 Agreements to establish new businesses; and

12 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gillian backed a local referendum 13 which allowed the Village to collect one half of one percent 14 from local sales taxes to support a 10 million dollar 15 infrastructure upgrade known as the Village Improvement 16 Program; and

17 WHEREAS, During his 12 years of service to the residents of 18 the Village of Forest Park, Commissioner Tim Gillian has been a 19 dedicated and thoughtful public servant who has conducted 20 himself in a highly professional manner, earning the respect of 21 those he has served with and those he has been entrusted to 22 serve, contributing to the betterment of his Departments and HR0464 -4- LRB095 12139 GRL 36209 r the community as a whole; his professionalism and dedication to his duties as an elected official in the Village of Forest Park has been exemplary; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 5 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 6 congratulate Timothy E. Gillian for his public service and wish 7 him continued success and happiness in the future; and be it 8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 10 presented to Timothy E. Gillian as a symbol of our esteem and 11 respect.