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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate James Knightly on
4 the occasion of his retirement from the Chicago Police
5 Department after 41 years of service; and

6 WHEREAS, James Knightly will retire with the rank of
7 Captain and as the most senior officer in the Chicago Police
8 Department; and

9 WHEREAS, James Knightly grew up in Gresham; he was one of
10 12 children; he attended St. Sabina Elementary School, then
11 went on to St. Rita High School; and

12 WHEREAS, James Knightly joined the Chicago Police
13 Department in February 1966; in 1980, he was promoted to
14 Sergeant in Chicago's 4th District; after several
15 reassignments, he was promoted to Lieutenant of the 22nd
16 District in Morgan Park; in December 2000, he was promoted to
17 Captain of the 4th District; and

18 WHEREAS, Through the Chicago Police Department, James
19 Knightly attended Daley College, where he received his
20 associate's degree in 1978, and Calumet College of St. Joseph,
21 where he received his bachelor's degree in 2000; and

1 WHEREAS, In February 1967 James Knightly was injured in the
2 line of duty when he was shot twice while responding to an
3 armed robbery; and

4 WHEREAS, James Knightly has had many accomplishments
5 during his long and distinguished career, including the
6 Superintendent Award of Valor, 2 Life Saving Awards, 12
7 Complementary Letters, and 2 WGN Friend Indeed Awards, among
8 many others; and

9 WHEREAS, During his retirement, James Knightly plans to
10 travel as much as possible, preferably to every Major League
11 baseball stadium throughout the country; and

12 WHEREAS, A retirement celebration in James Knightly's
13 honor will be held on June 29, 2007 from 7 PM to 11 PM at the
14 Beverly Woods Restaurant in Chicago; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate James Knightly on his retirement and wish him
18 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to James Knightly as a symbol of our esteem, respect,
2 and appreciation.