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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Chief Robert
4 Tinucci on the occasion of his retirement from the
5 Darien-Woodridge Fire District after 33 years of service; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Robert Tinucci began his career as a
7 firefighter with the former Downers Grove Estate Fire
8 Protection District in 1974, when he signed on as a
9 part-time/POC firefighter; he became a full-time Lieutenant in
10 1976, then served as a captain/shift commander from 1978 to
11 1989; he served as assistant chief from 1989 until 1991, when
12 he was promoted to fire chief/administrator; he has also
13 performed in many other positions, including training officer,
14 shift commander, fire inspector, health and safety officer,
15 fire investigator, public information officer, purchasing
16 coordinator, and building and grounds; and

17 WHEREAS, Chief Robert Tinucci has been instrumental in many
18 vital changes in the Darien-Woodridge Fire District over the
19 last 33 years; in the early 1980's he initiated and developed a
20 formal training program to attain State of Illinois Firefighter
21 Certification for all personnel and developed further minimum
22 standards to require State certifications for various officers
23 ranks and specialty team positions; he coordinated the

1 implementation of Advanced Life Support/Paramedic staffing in
2 the district in 1979; he was integral in the transformation of
3 the department from part-time/POC staffing into full-time
4 professional staffing augmented by part-time personnel,
5 providing an economical approach to maintain staffing levels in
6 the fire district; he was instrumental in the consolidation of
7 the Downers Grove Estate and Belmont Fire Districts in 1988 and
8 was directly responsible for the operational planning and
9 integration of the consolidated fire district's response
10 procedures, personnel, and equipment; he was directly
11 responsible for the development of "Automatic Aid" among
12 several neighboring fire departments and for the development of
13 formal mutual aid through the former Cook-DuPage Mutual Aid
14 Association and the present MABAS System; he was instrumental
15 in advancing the District's ISO Public Grading from a
16 combination Class 5/9, to a Class 3 Public Grading District
17 wide; he assisted in the development of guidelines and methods
18 for personnel administration, including hiring, promotional
19 criteria, recruitment, and professional development; he has
20 provided consultation to the initial and current Board of Fire
21 Commissioners; he has developed administrative methods and
22 procedures for all aspects of the fire district's
23 administration, which have increased the efficiency of
24 operations with a limited staff; he directly coordinated the
25 consolidation of the fire district's 911 Communications Center
26 with the Pleasantview Fire Protection District; he was the

1 Pension Board President from 1978 to 1991 and has been a member
2 of the pension board since 1978; he was directly responsible
3 for the district's facility planning involving their
4 space-needs analysis, ADA compliance, and other future needs,
5 culminating with the design and construction of their new
6 headquarters facility; he served as the primary representative
7 for the design, procurement, budgeting, and construction of the
8 district's facility; he initiated and coordinated the
9 functional consolidation of the fire district's Apparatus
10 Maintenance and Training Programs with several fire districts;
11 and he was responsible for the development of the Southwest
12 United Fire Districts into a separate entity through an
13 Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement; and

14 WHEREAS, Chief Robert Tinucci has also been very active in
15 other civic organizations; he has been an active member of the
16 International Fire Chiefs Association since 1991; he has been
17 an active member of the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association since
18 1985; he has been an active member of the DuPage County Fire
19 Chiefs Association since 1991; he served as fire service
20 liaison for the 100 Club of DuPage County for 3 years; he has
21 been an active member of the Northern Illinois Alliance of Fire
22 Protection Districts since 1991; he has served as Vice
23 President, President, and Training Committee Chair of MABAS
24 Division 10; he has served in various roles in the Southwest
25 United Fire Districts; he was instrumental in the formation of

1 the Darien Area Public Administrators in 1991 and has served as
2 the coordinator of DAPA since its inception; he has been an
3 active member of Woodridge Public Administrators since 1991;
4 and he has served as an alumni board member with the Hinsdale
5 South High School Foundation since 2005; and

6 WHEREAS, In his 33 year career, Chief Robert Tinucci led
7 his fire district without anyone under his command suffering
8 serious injury or line of duty death; and

9 WHEREAS, Chief Robert Tinucci has lived in the Darien area
10 for 40 years; he and his wife, Jean, have 3 children, Jamie,
11 Carrie, and Joe; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate Chief Robert Tinucci on his retirement, thank him
15 for his years of public service, and wish him continued success
16 and happiness in the future; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Chief Robert Tinucci as a symbol of our esteem and
19 respect.