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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 of Illinois WHEREAS, The members the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Joe Aden on the 4 occasion of his 32 years of dedicated service as Mayor of the 5 Village of East Cape; and 6 WHEREAS, Joe Aden was born in 1940 on a farm in Dongola; he 7 graduated from Dongola High School in 1958, where he was the 8 2nd highest scorer in Illinois basketball history and the 3rd 9 highest scorer in the nation in 1958; in 1985, he was inducted 10 into the Illinois Basketball Hall of Fame; and

- 11 WHEREAS, Joe Aden earned his bachelor's degree from Union 12 University in 1962 and his master's degree from Southeast 13 Missouri State University in 1968; and
- WHEREAS, Joe Aden became one of the first trustees of the
 Village of East Cape when the village became incorporated in
 1975; in 1977, he became Mayor, a position he held until 2009;
 and
- WHEREAS, During his tenure with the Village of East Cape,

 Joe Aden was instrumental in the establishment of James

 Bartleson Park, the acquisition of the village's natural gas

 system, sewer system, and playground equipment, and the

- 1 creation of the Bud Pierce Community Center; and
- WHEREAS, The Village of East Cape hosted a ceremony in
- 3 honor of Joe Aden on November 21, 2009; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 6 congratulate Joe Aden on the occasion of his 32 years of
- 7 dedicated service as Mayor of the Village of East Cape and wish
- 8 him continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
- 9 further

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- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to Joe Aden as a symbol of our esteem and respect.