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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dennis Schmidt on the occasion of the conclusion of his 35-year career as Police Chief of the Montgomery Police Department and for his new career as manager of Waubonsee Community College's driver safety program; and

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WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt is a native of Aurora; he earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Aurora University in May of 1983; and

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WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt began his career with the Montgomery Police Department in April of 1974, when he was hired as a patrol officer upon his discharge from the U.S. Army, where he had served as a medic; in 1978, he attained the rank of sergeant; in September of 1981, he was appointed to serve as police chief by the late Village President Stu Johnson; and

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WHEREAS, During Dennis Schmidt's tenure, the Montgomery Police Department saw a period of steady growth, especially over the past decade; to accommodate the village's growing police department, Mr. Schmidt played a key role in the planning for a new police station on U.S. Route 30 at Griffin

1 Drive; the facility, which was designed and sized to  
2 accommodate the village's future population growth, was  
3 dedicated in 2005; he has also served admirably as a leader  
4 during numerous emergencies in Montgomery, including the  
5 floods in the Parkview Estates Subdivision in 1972, 1983, and  
6 1996; and

7 WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt has been involved with numerous  
8 activities and fundraisers, including the Kane County Police  
9 Officer of the Year Banquet and Awards Ceremony, the Montgomery  
10 Festival, the Kane County 911 Board, and numerous charitable  
11 events and church activities; and

12 WHEREAS, Following his retirement from the Montgomery  
13 Police Department, Dennis Schmidt will serve as manager of the  
14 driver safety program at Waubensee Community College, where his  
15 inspired leadership and experience will benefit the many  
16 instructors and students under his wing; and

17 WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt serves as a model of hard work,  
18 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of  
19 Illinois; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
21 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
22 congratulate and thank Dennis Schmidt for his many years of

1 dedicated service with the Montgomery Police Department and  
2 wish him continued success in his new career; and be it further

3       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
4 presented to Dennis Schmidt as a symbol of our esteem and  
5 respect.