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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Patricia
4 Gabrielson on her retirement as Troy Township Assessor; and

5 WHEREAS, After 36 years of service to the residents of Troy
6 Township, Assessor Patricia A. Gabrielson retired on March 31,
7 2012; her history with the Township goes back to the 1960s,
8 when her late husband, Paul Barnes, was Township Assessor; from
9 1962 to 1968, the office of the Assessor was in their home and
10 she worked part-time calculating the assessments and working
11 with both the taxpayers and county officials; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1982, then Assessor Frank Marco hired her to
13 work for the Township as an employee of the Assessor's office;
14 upon his passing in 1983, Clarence Balla became Assessor and
15 she continued her work with the Assessor's office until 1995,
16 when she was appointed as the Assessor upon Mr. Balla's
17 retirement; and

18 WHEREAS, She went on to be elected as the Troy Township
19 Assessor for a total of 4 more terms; in 1990, she achieved her
20 CIAO Designation (Certified Illinois Assessing Official) and,
21 in 1995, achieved the CIAO-I (Intermediate) Designation; at the
22 time she received the CIAO-I Designation, she was one of only 5

1 individuals in all of Will County to achieve this level; and

2 WHEREAS, In the fall of 1996, she helped to create and
3 implement the Township Communicator, the semi-annual
4 newsletter mailed to all residents of Troy Township, as well as
5 starting the Troy Township website; and

6 WHEREAS, She is a lifelong resident of Troy Township; she
7 is married to Gerry Gabrielson and they have 4 children and 5
8 grandchildren; she is a 50-year member of the Troy Fire
9 Department Ladies Auxiliary and is also a Past President of the
10 Auxiliary; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we congratulate Patricia Gabrielson on her retirement and wish
14 her well in her future endeavors; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Patricia Gabrielson as a symbol of our respect and
17 esteem.