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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to honor Kenneth A. Kruse on the occasion  
4 of his 50 years of service in community banking; and

5           WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse was born on December 2, 1946; he is  
6 a lifelong resident of Steeleville and a graduate of  
7 Steeleville High School; he subsequently earned a degree from  
8 the School of Banking in Madison, Wisconsin in 1972; and

9           WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse began his banking career at First  
10 National Bank of Steeleville on June 15, 1964 as a Loan Officer  
11 Trainee; after serving his country in the United States Army  
12 from February of 1966 to February of 1968, he returned to the  
13 bank in 1968 to work as an Assistant Cashier; in 1975, he was  
14 designated as Vice President of Operations; in 1987, he was  
15 selected to serve on the Board of Directors; in the late-1990s,  
16 he became the bank's Senior Vice President of Operations; he  
17 has also served as the bank's Financial Investment Advisor; and

18           WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse is the proprietor of Kenneth A.  
19 Kruse Tax Preparation and Planning in Steeleville; and

20           WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse is an active member of his  
21 community; he was a member of the Steeleville Town Board; he is

1 a charter member of Steeleville Jaycees; he is also a member of  
2 St. Mark's Lutheran Church, the American Legion, and the  
3 Steeleville Nutrition Site Board; and

4 WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse enjoys working on his farm property,  
5 driving his Corvettes, and traveling with his wife; and

6 WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse and his wife, Jane (nee Tanner)  
7 Kruse, have one son, Eric Kruse; and

8 WHEREAS, Kenneth Kruse serves as a model of hard work,  
9 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of  
10 Illinois; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
12 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we honor Kenneth A. Kruse on the occasion of his 50 years of  
14 service in community banking and wish him continued success and  
15 happiness in the future; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to Kenneth Kruse as a symbol of our esteem and  
18 respect.