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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Glenn Poshard was born on October 30, 1945 in
3 Herald; he is a 3-degree graduate of Southern Illinois
4 University, having earned his bachelor's degree in secondary
5 education in 1970, a master's degree in educational
6 administration in 1974, and a Ph.D. in administration of higher
7 education in 1984; and

8 WHEREAS, After college, Glenn Poshard taught high school,
9 coached high school sports, and served as director of the
10 Southern Illinois Educational Service Center in Benton from
11 1975 to 1982; and

12 WHEREAS, After serving in the Illinois State Senate from
13 1984 to 1988, Glenn Poshard served in the United States House
14 of Representatives from January 3, 1989 to January 3, 1999;
15 following his stint in Congress, he and his wife, Jo, founded
16 the Poshard Foundation for Abused Children, which raises more
17 than \$100,000 annually to fund care for abused children and
18 other victims of domestic abuse throughout southern Illinois;
19 among its many activities, the Poshard Foundation led efforts
20 to construct a new \$600,000 women's shelter in Cairo, which
21 opened in December of 2003; and

22 WHEREAS, Glenn Poshard served for 4 years as the Vice

1 Chancellor for Administration at Southern Illinois University
2 Carbondale; in January of 2004, he was selected by Governor Rod
3 Blagojevich to serve on the Southern Illinois University Board
4 of Trustees; he was later elected Chairman of the Board of
5 Trustees; in 2005, he resigned from his position on the Board
6 of Trustees and announced his candidacy for the presidency of
7 the Southern Illinois University system; on November 18, 2005,
8 the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees announced
9 that they had selected Glenn Poshard to serve as President of
10 the system; he subsequently took office on January 1, 2006; and

11 WHEREAS, On July 25, 2013, Glenn Poshard announced that
12 would will retire as President of Southern Illinois University
13 after the 2013-14 school year; and

14 WHEREAS, Glenn Poshard has served with dignity and
15 integrity as President of Southern Illinois University; Mr.
16 Poshard and his legacy of service stand as examples of great
17 dedication and civic virtue to the citizens of the State of
18 Illinois; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
21 we congratulate Glenn Poshard on the occasion of his retirement
22 and wish him continued success and happiness in the future; and
23 be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Glenn Poshard as a symbol of our esteem and
3 respect.