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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Paul Selden on the  
4 occasion of his retirement from Connections for the Homeless;  
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6           WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Selden has been a crusader against the  
7 blight of homelessness on our community for almost 40 years;  
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9           WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Selden's work with the homeless has  
10 included leadership roles with the Jericho Project and Emmaus  
11 House in New York City, Next Steps Partners, and Connections  
12 for the Homeless; and

13           WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Selden has been an innovator in  
14 developing services for those who are homeless or unstably  
15 housed through his work as a co-founder of the National  
16 Coalition for the Homeless, as a board member of the Coalition  
17 for the Homeless in New York, as Director of the Chicago  
18 Continuum of Care, as a board member of Housing Action  
19 Illinois, and as a member of the Alliance to End Homelessness  
20 in Suburban Cook County; and

21           WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Selden has transformed Connections for

1 the Homeless in Evanston from a traditional shelter into a  
2 Housing First Program that helps those in need to regain  
3 long-term housing stability; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Selden has positioned Connections for the  
5 Homeless for future growth and innovation as the need for  
6 homeless services on the North Shore has doubled since the  
7 recession began; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
10 congratulate Dr. Paul Selden on the occasion of his retirement  
11 from Connections for the Homeless and for his plans to continue  
12 advocacy and public education activities in pursuit of systemic  
13 changes that will result in an end to homelessness; and be it  
14 further

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