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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Joseph H. Florip
4 for 20 years of service with the Waukegan Police Department and
5 the City of Waukegan; and

6 WHEREAS, Commander Florip has been a part of law
7 enforcement for over 20 years, including 14 years as an active
8 supervisor of multiple units; he has leadership experience in
9 various sectors of the Waukegan Police Department, including
10 the Patrol Division, Internal Affairs, and Community Services;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Commander Florip is a proud member of Zion-Benton
13 Township High School's graduating class of 1991; he received
14 his Bachelor of Science in Political Science and Criminal
15 Justice from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and earned his
16 Masters of Public Administration from Roosevelt University in
17 Chicago; and

18 WHEREAS, Commander Florip began his career in law
19 enforcement in September of 1991 as a Narcotics Investigator in
20 the Lake Winnebago Metropolitan Enforcement Group in Oshkosh,
21 Wisconsin; on May 22, 1995, he returned to the State of
22 Illinois to begin his tenure with the Waukegan Police

1 Department; and

2 WHEREAS, Over the years, Commander Florip has progressed
3 through the ranks of law enforcement, serving in different
4 capacities, including Patrol Division Supervisor, Supervisor
5 of the Community Services Division, Neighborhood Enforcement
6 Team, Gang and Drug Unit, Sergeant of Police, Lieutenant of
7 Police, and Commander of the Office of Professional Standards;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Commander Florip has successfully completed
10 various programs and gained essential certification
11 experience, including: the Media School Training from the
12 College of DuPage; the Narcotics Officers School in St. Paul,
13 Minnesota; the 400-Hour Basic Law Enforcement Academy offered
14 through the Illinois Police Officer Certification; the 80-Hour
15 Drug Enforcement Administration Training; the Asset Forfeiture
16 Training; the Illinois Police Mountain Bike Certification; and
17 the Chicago and Suburban Police Violence Reduction Initiative;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Commander Florip is credited with designing and
20 implementing the curriculum utilized by the Citizens Police
21 Academy; he has been awarded numerous recognitions, including
22 the 2009 Waukegan Exchange Club Supervisor of the Year; and

1 WHEREAS, For as much passion as Commander Florip has
2 demonstrated throughout his extensive career in law
3 enforcement, he reserves the warmest and sincerest regards for
4 his beloved family: his wife, Mandi, and their 3 children; and

5 WHEREAS, Commander Florip has been a resident of Lake
6 County since 1979; he enjoys spending his leisure motorcycle
7 riding with his wife and vacationing in their cabin in
8 Michigan; and

9 WHEREAS, Commander Florip has been a most remarkable member
10 of the Waukegan community, who day-in and day-out provides a
11 valuable, selfless service to the residents of Lake County; his
12 unbridled commitment to the protection and reverence for the
13 law is as fervent today as ever; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
16 recognize Commander Joseph H. Florip for his accomplishments
17 and wish him continued success as Commander of Police; and be
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Commander Florip as a symbol of our utmost respect
21 and esteem.