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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
- 3 Representatives are pleased to recognize milestone events in
- 4 the lives of the citizens of Illinois; and
- 5 WHEREAS, After more than 30 years as a Chicago Public
- 6 School teacher, Frederic Norden is turning in his lesson
- 7 plans, his graded papers, his atrium-like classroom, his
- 8 summer school request forms, his computer technology skills,
- 9 and his more than 300 accumulated sick days; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Frederic Norden began his teaching career at
- 11 Spencer Elementary School in Chicago's Austin neighborhood
- 12 and is retiring this year from neighboring John Hay Community
- 13 Academy; and
- 14 WHEREAS, During his career, Frederic Norden provided
- 15 students with learning in the classroom, laughter in the
- 16 halls, and friendship to all who entered his school; he
- developed a reputation as a hard-working, responsible, and
- dedicated teaching professional; no problem was too large, no
- 19 question too ridiculous, and no situation was too difficult
- for Mr. Norden to handle; and
- 21 WHEREAS, For all the students who made up the mosaic of
- 22 Frederic Norden's teaching career, the one who listened in
- 23 class, those who asked questions, the ones who daydreamed,
- 24 those who laughed, and all the ones who learned were
- 25 fortunate to be guided by an unselfish individual whose
- 26 greatest joy was seeing them succeed; and
- 27 WHEREAS, Frederic Norden is loved and respected most for
- 28 his everlasting devotion to his family, which includes his
- 29 wife, Elaine, his children, David and Elizabeth, his
- 30 daughter-in-law, Aileen, and his grandchildren, Wyatt Austin
- 31 and Seamus Daniel; his commitment to helping his own children

- 1 realize their own dreams and achieve their goals serves as an
- 2 example to the generosity he brought to the classroom for
- 3 more than thirty years; and
- 4 WHEREAS, As Frederic Norden heads into the next stage of
- 5 life, his family, friends, co-workers, students, and former
- 6 students want to thank him for sharing his time, his talents,
- 7 his patience, his humor, his commitment, his concern, and his
- 8 willingness to always offer himself in times of need;
- 9 therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 11 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 12 we congratulate Frederic Norden on his retirement from John
- 13 Hay Community Academy and for his dedication and commitment
- in the field of education for the past 30 years; and we wish
- 15 him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to Frederic Norden as an expression of our esteem.