

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize notable citizens of
4 the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Arthur "Ted"
6 Horner is stepping down from his duties as Mayor of the City
7 of Watseka, Illinois; and

8 WHEREAS, Ted Horner, a native of Watseka, Illinois, was
9 appointed as 4th Ward Alderman at a special City Council
10 meeting in 1965, which started a thirty-seven year career of
11 service to the city of Watseka; and

12 WHEREAS, Mayor Ernest Mueller appointed Mr. Horner as
13 chairman of the Civil Defense Committee, starting an interest
14 that led to his leadership role in the Emergency Service
15 Disaster Agency; in addition, he served on the insurance,
16 printing and purchasing committees; and

17 WHEREAS, Ted Horner was named as the Director of the
18 County ESDA, a post that helped Iroquois County residents
19 through several severe winters by providing shelter, food,
20 and heat for stranded motorists, as well as alerting county
21 residents of impending storms; and

22 WHEREAS, Ted Horner carefully monitored the use of land
23 in his role as Zoning Administrator and was always on alert
24 for pollution and landfill problems in Iroquois County; and

25 WHEREAS, Ted Horner served the City of Watseka as Finance
26 Chairman where he made sure that the needs of the city were
27 always served; in addition, he served on the County Board
28 where he lended a hand in day-to-day County business; and

29 WHEREAS, With his genial manner, well-known interest in
30 people, and a deep love for the City of Watseka, Ted Horner

1 was elected as Mayor of Watseka; under his leadership, he
2 instituted the T.I.F. District, established a system that
3 monitors police, and enlarged facilities privatizing for
4 economic reasons, improved city services, retained fiscal
5 responsibility, encouraged the formation of a park district,
6 relocating City Hall, and built a new fire station; and

7 WHEREAS, Ted Horner's presence as Mayor of the City of
8 Watseka will be dearly missed by the citizens of Watseka, but
9 his accomplishments during his tenure will be long
10 remembered; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we congratulate Arthur "Ted" Horner on his dedicated
14 thirty-seven years of service to the City of Watseka,
15 Illinois; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Arthur "Ted" Horner as an expression of our
18 esteem.