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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
- 3 Representatives wish to recognize milestone events in the
- 4 lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and
- 5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Fire Chief
- 6 Thomas C. Allenspach of the Buffalo Grove Fire Department
- 7 will be retiring on May 19, 2002 after 32 years of service;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Chief Allenspach was hired as a full time
- 10 firefighter for the Skokie Fire Department in April 1969; he
- 11 left in June 1969 to serve in the United States Army during
- 12 the Viet Nam Conflict and later returned to the Skokie Fire
- Department in April 1971; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Chief Allenspach served as an on-call member of
- 15 the Buffalo Grove Fire Department from June 1971 through
- 16 October 1972; in August 1989 he retired as a Deputy Fire
- 17 Chief for the Skokie Fire Department and took over the duties
- 18 as Fire Chief for the Buffalo Grove Fire Department, where he
- 19 has served for the past 13 years; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Chief Allenspach has served the citizens of the
- 21 State of Illinois in a variety of roles, including as
- 22 President of the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association and as
- 23 Director of the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Family, friends, and the many colleagues of Fire
- 25 Chief Thomas C. Allenspach will come together on May 16, 2002
- 26 to celebrate his dedicated 32-year career and upcoming
- 27 retirement; therefore, be it
- 28 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 29 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 30 we congratulate Fire Chief Thomas C. Allenspach on his
- 31 retirement from the Buffalo Grove Fire Department and we wish

1 him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

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- 2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 3 presented to Fire Chief Thomas C. Allenspach as an expression
- 4 of our esteem.