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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Lori Palmer on 20 years as
4 a Bartlett Park District Board Member; and

5 WHEREAS, Lori Palmer took office on May 6, 1997 and has
6 been an active Board member ever since; during her time on the
7 Board, the Bartlett Park District went from 26 parks in 1997 to
8 46 in 2017; the district currently maintains over 600 acres of
9 property; and

10 WHEREAS, Lori Palmer was instrumental in the successful
11 passage of a referendum in 1998 to build the Bartlett Community
12 Center, which opened in 2000; and

13 WHEREAS, The Bartlett Park District has built a popular
14 skate park, partnered with the Village of Bartlett for the
15 development of Koehler Athletic Field Complex, and built two
16 spray playgrounds in parks that are free for the community to
17 use during the summer; and

18 WHEREAS, Lori Palmer was instrumental in having the
19 Bartlett Park District become a partner with the Illinois
20 Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) and the DuPage County
21 Forest Preserve District to jointly run the James "Pate" Philip

1 State Park; this unique agreement allowed the Park District to
2 expand the nature center and environmental education programs;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, In 2010, a Bartlett Park District referendum was
5 passed that allowed for the purchase of Villa Olivia and the
6 expansion of the Bartlett Aquatic Center; and

7 WHEREAS, The Bartlett Park District has become the first
8 park district in the State to own a ski hill and have a zip line
9 in a pool; and

10 WHEREAS, During her 20 years on the Bartlett Park District
11 Board, Lori Palmer has served as Treasurer, Vice-President, and
12 four years as President; she has earned Master Board Member
13 status through the Illinois Association of Park Districts
14 (IAPD); and

15 WHEREAS, Lori Palmer is currently serving as a Board member
16 for the IAPD; during her years of service, she has attended
17 over 500 committee, board, and special meetings, and all as a
18 unpaid, elected public official; and

19 WHEREAS, Lori Palmer has been an outstanding member of the
20 Bartlett Park District Board, and is well respected by staff,
21 Board colleagues, and members of the community for all she has

1 done to help make Bartlett great; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
4 congratulate Lori Palmer on 20 years as a Bartlett Park
5 District Board Member, and we thank her for her service to her
6 community; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Lori Palmer as an expression of our esteem and
9 respect.