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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Bruce Rasey on the  
4 occasion of his retirement as executive director of the Howard  
5 Area Community Center; and

6           WHEREAS, The Howard Area Community Center is a social  
7 service agency providing free education, employment, and  
8 health assistance programs for community members of the greater  
9 Rogers Park area of Chicago; and

10           WHEREAS, The Howard Area Community Center is a  
11 collaboration of donors, community members, and service  
12 providers that provide often life-sustaining services; and

13           WHEREAS, Bruce Rasey spent 30 years holding senior  
14 leadership roles in the human services sector before assuming  
15 the position of executive director of the Howard Area Community  
16 Center in 2010; and

17           WHEREAS, Bruce Rasey led over 100 staff members and oversaw  
18 40 individual programs within four agency divisions; and

19           WHEREAS, Under Bruce Rasey's leadership, the Howard Area  
20 Community Center overcame the multi-year Illinois budget

1 crisis; and

2 WHEREAS, During the Howard Area Community Center's 50th  
3 anniversary year, Bruce Rasey led the organization to a record  
4 breaking year of fundraising in 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Bruce Rasey guided the Howard Area Community  
6 Center through seven years of sustained growth and  
7 forward-thinking leadership, which positioned them as one of  
8 the most responsive community organizations in the greater  
9 Rogers Park area of Chicago; and

10 WHEREAS, Bruce Rasey received a Bachelor of Arts in  
11 Political Science from Western Illinois University and a Master  
12 of Science in Community Mental Health from Northern Illinois  
13 University; and

14 WHEREAS, Bruce Rasey and his wife, Marion, plan to move to  
15 Florida, where they will spend their well-deserved retirement  
16 enjoying the warm weather; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
18 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
19 congratulate Bruce Rasey on his retirement as executive  
20 director of the Howard Area Community Center, and we wish him  
21 the best in all his future endeavors; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Bruce Rasey as an expression of our esteem and  
3 respect.