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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate John Xavier Rottman on  
4 being selected as Man of the Year by St. Cornelius Catholic  
5 Church's Holy Name Society; and

6           WHEREAS, John Rottman was born to Lucille and Francis  
7 Rottman on May 25, 1948, the younger brother to Tom and older  
8 brother to Nancy; he grew up on the northwest side of Chicago,  
9 spent his grade school years at St. Cornelius, and graduated in  
10 1962; he graduated from Quigley Preparatory North Seminary in  
11 1966 and began to study the monastic life at St. Bede Academy  
12 in Peru; however, he eventually decided that the seminary was  
13 not for him; and

14           WHEREAS, John Rottman fell in love with Candace "Candy"  
15 Patla, his sister Nancy's best friend, and they were married on  
16 May 27, 1973; and

17           WHEREAS, John Rottman joined the plumber's union in 1973  
18 and worked for a few different contractors before joining the  
19 City of Chicago Water Department, where he worked until his  
20 retirement in 2005; and

21           WHEREAS, John Rottman and Candy raised four children, Tim,

1 Mike, John, and Katie and continued to stay active at St.  
2 Thelca Parish; they were on the parish council, the liturgy  
3 committee, in the choirs, and managed the altar servers while  
4 their children attended the school; eventually, John decided to  
5 become a deacon; he started the diaconate program in 1998 and  
6 was ordained in May 2002; and

7 WHEREAS, John Rottman and Candy unofficially adopted many  
8 children; they hosted numerous exchange students over the years  
9 from Ireland, Spain, Mexico, and Columbia; they also accepted  
10 their kid's friends as children of their own; John still keeps  
11 close to those who have come through his life; and

12 WHEREAS, John Rottman and his family stayed at St. Thelca  
13 until 2014 when he was transferred to St. Cornelius; he has  
14 greatly enjoyed his time with the St. Cornelius parishioners  
15 throughout all the different activities and events; therefore,  
16 be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
18 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
19 we congratulate John Xavier Rottman on being selected as Man of  
20 the Year by St. Cornelius Catholic Church's Holy Name Society,  
21 and we wish him the best in all his future endeavors; and be it  
22 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to John Rottman as a symbol of our respect and  
3 esteem.