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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Kent McCanless on being selected as the 2019 Illinois Emergency Services Management Association (IESMA) Emergency Manager of the Year and commend him for his distinguished service as the director of the Woodford County Emergency Management Agency and to the residents of the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Since 2014, Kent McCanless has served as the first full-time director of the Woodford County Emergency Management Agency; he is dedicated to educating, training, and preparing Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) volunteers and residents to better prepare the State of Illinois to respond in the event of disaster; and

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WHEREAS, Kent McCanless has a distinguished history of public service; he served as a storm spotter for the Eureka Emergency Services and Disaster Agency, as both a volunteer and career firefighter, as an EMT, and as a fire and life safety teacher; and

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WHEREAS, Kent McCanless is active with the Care Tracking Service, an invaluable service dedicated to keeping those who suffer from Alzheimer's disease and dementia safe, active, and

1 independent for as long as possible; and

2 WHEREAS, Kent McCanless works alongside area schools,
3 nursing homes, and several community groups to improve
4 evacuation procedures, further assisting citizens of the State
5 of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Kent McCanless has extensive training as a first
7 responder and experience in numerous natural disasters,
8 including the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina; and

9 WHEREAS, Kent McCanless was presented his 2019 Illinois
10 Emergency Manager of the Year award by IESMA President Dawn
11 Cook; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
13 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we congratulate Kent McCanless on being selected as the 2019
15 Illinois Emergency Services Management Association Emergency
16 Manager of the Year, and we commend him for his distinguished
17 service as the director of the Woodford County Emergency
18 Management Agency and to the residents of the State of
19 Illinois; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Kent McCanless as a symbol of our respect and

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