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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Norman Bobins on
4 the occasion of his retirement as chairman of LaSalle Bank
5 Corporation; and

6 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins earned his bachelor's degree from
7 the University of Wisconsin in 1964 and his master's degree in
8 business administration from the University of Chicago in 1967;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins worked for the American National
11 Bank and Trust Company for 14 years, where he was senior vice
12 president and held various commercial lending positions; he
13 began working for The Exchange National Bank of Chicago in
14 April 1981 as its senior executive vice president and chief
15 lending officer; he remained in his position following the
16 Exchange National Bank's acquisition by LaSalle Bank
17 Corporation in 1990, eventually becoming LaSalle Bank
18 Corporation's chairman; and

19 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins has also held positions with many
20 other corporate entities; among them, he is a member of the
21 boards of trustees of the Global Hyatt Corporation, Nicor,
22 Inc., and the New York Clearing House; he holds directorships

1 at RREEF America REIT II, Inc. and Metal Management, Inc.; he
2 is a Non-Executive Chairman of the board of Transco, Inc.; he
3 is a member of the Banker's Club of Chicago, serving most
4 recently as its president; he serves as Treasurer of The
5 Financial Services Roundtable; he serves on the Civic Committee
6 of The Commercial Club of Chicago; and he is on the board of
7 directors of The Economic Club of Chicago; and

8 WHEREAS, In addition to his corporate interests, Norman
9 Bobins is a former Chairman of the Board for the Chicagoland
10 Chamber of Commerce; he is a member of the executive board of
11 the Auditorium Theatre Council and the board of directors of
12 the Terra Foundation for the Arts; he has served as a member of
13 the Board of Education of the City of Chicago; he is a member
14 of the board of trustees of WTTW Communications, Inc. and The
15 Art Institute of Chicago; he is Chairman Emeritus of the
16 Illinois Business Roundtable; he is a trustee of the University
17 of Chicago Hospitals; he is a life member of the Council on the
18 Graduate School of Business at The University of Chicago and
19 serves on the board of Spertus College; he is a member of the
20 Trustees Committee of the Chicago Community Forum; and he holds
21 a directorship with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins has been given many awards in
24 recognition of his service to the community; he was given a

1 Distinguished Service Award from the Anti-Defamation League of
2 B'nai B'rith in 1982; he was the recipient of the American
3 Jewish Committee's 1992 Human Rights Medallion, the National
4 REIA Fall Conference's 1995 Wexler Award, the 1997 Keshet
5 Rainbow Award, the 1997 CANDO Person of the Year Award, the
6 1998 Midtown Educational Foundation Reach for Excellence
7 Award, the DePaul University 1999 Business Leadership Award,
8 the 2000 Harold Washington College Business Professional of the
9 Year Award, the 2000 Jane Addams Hull House Medal, the
10 Southwest Organizing Project Anti-Predatory Lending Award
11 2001, the Boys & Girls Clubs 2002 Chairman's Award, the 2003
12 University of Chicago Graduate School of Business'
13 Distinguished Corporate Alumnus Award and the 2003 Association
14 for Corporate Growth's Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2003
15 Cincotta NHS Neighborhood Partnership Award, the 2004 Arts
16 Legend Award for an Advocate from the Illinois Arts Alliance
17 Foundation, the 2005 Harvard Business School Club of Chicago
18 Business Statesman Award, and the Corporate Visionary Award
19 from El Valor in 2006; and

20 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins' personal success and his
21 willingness to serve his community make him a model for the
22 people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
24 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

1 congratulate Norman Bobins on the occasion of his retirement
2 and wish him continued success and happiness in his future
3 endeavors; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to Norman Bobins as a symbol of our esteem and
6 respect.