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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Robert "Bob" Friend on  
4 the occasion of his retirement from the Glenbard Township High  
5 School District 87 Board of Education; and

6                   WHEREAS,    Robert    Friend    previously    served    Lombard  
7   Elementary   School   District   44   from   1999   to   2009,   and   he   has  
8   served   Glenbard   Township   High   School   District   87   since   2009;  
9   and

10           WHEREAS, Robert Friend has played an integral role as a  
11        leader and member of the Glenbard Township High School  
12        District 87 Board of Education, making a positive impact in  
13        several major areas, including expanding Advanced Placement  
14        and Dual Credit courses and summer school programs, developing  
15        the school district's Profile of a Graduate, implementing  
16        one-to-one teaching and learning with iPads for all students  
17        and faculty, creating the Minority Student Achievement  
18        Committee, and repeatedly achieving Illinois State Board of  
19        Education Financial Recognition status for excellence in  
20        fiscal stewardship; and

21            WHEREAS, Robert Friend has served as the head of each of  
22        the Glenbard Township High School District 87 Board of

1 Education's committees, including the Finance and Facility  
2 Committee, the Policy Committee, the Student Performance and  
3 Achievement Committee, and the Communication, Legislation and  
4 Partnerships Committee; and

5 WHEREAS, Robert Friend has held the position of division  
6 chair for the DuPage Division of the Illinois Association of  
7 School Boards (IASB) since 2005, and he is an IASB Master Board  
8 Member and an IASB LeaderShop Fellow in Glenbard's recognition  
9 programs; he is also a member of the Lombard Area Chamber of  
10 Commerce and Industry, the Tri-Town YMCA Board of Directors,  
11 and the Men's Club at First United Methodist Church of  
12 Lombard; and

13 WHEREAS, Robert Friend has been the recipient of a number  
14 of accolades, including receiving the Agricultural Education  
15 Advocacy Award from the Illinois Leadership Council for  
16 Agricultural Education and being named Lombard's 2020 Man of  
17 the Year by the Rotary Club of Lombard; and

18 WHEREAS, Robert Friend has provided tremendous leadership  
19 and vision to Glenbard Township High School District 87,  
20 helping guide district schools for the past 26 years;  
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
2 we congratulate Robert "Bob" Friend on the occasion of his  
3 retirement from the Glenbard Township High School District 87  
4 Board of Education, and we thank him for his dedication to the  
5 board, staff, and community; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 delivered to Robert Friend as a symbol of esteem and respect.