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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate David Larson, Ed.D. on 4 the occasion of his retirement as superintendent of Glenbard 5 Township High School District 87; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Larson has had a 45-year career in education, including working domestically at schools in Michigan and the Palm Beach County School District in Florida and internationally at the Singapore American School; he served as superintendent of Glenbard Township High School District 87 since 2012; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Larson, as superintendent of Glenbard Township High School District 87, led the third largest high school district in Illinois, overseeing a staff of over 475 teachers responsible for educating over 7,600 students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Larson aided in the creation of a Physics and Algebra II with Trigonometry course sequence for all students, and he also guided the school district's successful 2024 facility improvements referendum, which will allow the implementation of Glenbard's new 10-year Master Facility Plan; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Larson facilitated a student, staff, and 2 community engagement process to develop the school district's 3 Profile of a Graduate, which identifies the knowledge, skills, 4 and experiences students need to prepare for their future in a
- 5 changing world; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Larson led a multi-year, strategic work
  planning process for building-led targets, metrics, customized
  tactics, and strategies, resulting in strong teaching and
  learning practices that focus on student academic achievement;
  and
- 11 WHEREAS, Under Dr. Larson's leadership, 62% of Glenbard
  12 High School students graduate with college credit, and
  13 participation in Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses is
  14 at twice the national and state average, with students having
  15 scored 57 points higher than the state average; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Dr. Larson secured Illinois State Board of
  17 Education (ISBE) Financial Recognition status every year he
  18 served as superintendent; and
  - WHEREAS, Dr. Larson fostered an environment where students can develop their character and thrive academically, teachers and staff are valued and supported, and parents and community members are appreciated and heard; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
  2 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
  3 we congratulate David Larson, Ed.D. on his retirement as
  4 superintendent of Glenbard Township High School District 87
  5 after 13 years of service; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Larson as a symbol of our esteem and respect.