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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to commend Dr. Brian Mentzer on his years  
4 of service to Belleville Township High School 201; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer has shown unwavering dedication to  
6 the education of Belleville's youth since 1998, and as the  
7 current superintendent of Belleville Township High School 201,  
8 he has consistently demonstrated a commitment to fostering an  
9 environment that prioritizes student success and community  
10 engagement; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer started his career in education after  
12 earning his Bachelor of Science in Education in 1998 and  
13 taught in the Belleville Elementary District 118 until 2004;  
14 while teaching in District 118, he earned his Master of  
15 Science in Education; he served as principal, director of  
16 Title 1, and director of Buildings and Grounds from 2004 to  
17 2010; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer received his Type 75, superintendent  
19 certification in 2007 and became superintendent of Millstadt  
20 CCSD 160 in 2010 and assistant superintendent of Belleville  
21 Township High School District 201 in 2012; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer earned his doctorate in educational  
2 leadership in 2018 and became superintendent of Belleville  
3 Township High School 201 in 2020; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer collaborated with colleagues and  
5 business leaders to expand CTE opportunities, which culminated  
6 in the opening of the C.A.V.E. (Center for Academic &  
7 Vocational Excellence) facility in August 2022; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer not only focuses on student life but  
9 also listens to educators and administrative staff, and as a  
10 result, a health center was built to provide excellent and  
11 efficient health care for his employees at an overall cost  
12 savings to the district; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer is a member of the Illinois  
14 Association of School Administrators, the Illinois Association  
15 of School Business Officials, the Illinois Principals  
16 Association, the Ainad-Shriners, and the Ainad-Shriners  
17 hospital unit; he was a board member of the United Way and the  
18 Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce and served as president  
19 of the Franklin Neighborhood Community Association; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Mentzer embodies the qualities of a true  
21 leader with respect, integrity, passion for education, and a  
22 belief in the potential of each and every student; therefore,

1     be it

2           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
3     HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
4     we commend Dr. Brian Mentzer on his years of service to  
5     Belleville Township High School 201, and we wish him the best  
6     in all his future endeavors; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8     presented to Dr. Mentzer as a symbol of our respect and esteem.