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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Charlotte Warren on
4 her retirement from Lincoln Land Community College; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren has served as the president of Lincoln
6 Land Community College since 2006, becoming the
7 longest-serving community college president in Illinois
8 history, in addition to also breaking new ground as the
9 school's first female president; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren's visionary leadership of Lincoln Land
11 Community College has expanded not only the realm of academic
12 partnerships for the school through expanded nursing,
13 agricultural, workforce training, and professional skill
14 enhancement programs but also the physical space as well; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren oversaw the transformative
16 construction of five new facilities and the renovation of nine
17 buildings across Lincoln Land's 15 county districts; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren's direction helped Lincoln Land
19 Community College see sustained multi-year enrollment growth,
20 achieving a nearly 26% increase in opening headcount from the
21 fall of 2021 to the fall of 2025, while maintaining a

1 student-centered approach that fostered faculty, staff, and
2 community collaboration in support of positive student
3 outcomes; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren deepened community engagement by
5 routinely meeting with business, legislative, and civic
6 leaders and partners to better align the college's programs
7 with regional workforce needs, while also strengthening care
8 and consideration for learners of all ages; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren elevated Lincoln Land Community
10 College's local, state, and national profile and influence
11 through service on major boards, including the American
12 Association of Community Colleges, the Illinois Council of
13 Community College Presidents, HSHS St. John's Hospital, and
14 the Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren is a dedicated and distinguished
16 public servant, holding the titles of colonel, retired and
17 honorary brigadier general in the Georgia National Guard, and
18 through service on the Reserve Forces Policy Board in
19 Washington D.C.; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren, through her historic governance,
21 public service, and dedication, has earned another title of
22 high regard, that of president emeritus, an academic

1 designation reserved for the most dedicated and honored
2 individuals, who through their professional distinction,
3 continue to hold the honorary title of the last office held as
4 a symbol of appreciation; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren is one of Lincoln Land Community
6 College's most dedicated ambassadors, consistently elevating
7 the institution and celebrating the achievements of students
8 and faculty alike, reinforcing the community ties that make
9 the school a source of pride and opportunity; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Warren's extraordinary legacy is one of
11 growth, innovation, and transformation and was guided by an
12 unwavering commitment to the students and the mission of
13 Lincoln Land Community College; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
15 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we congratulate Dr. Charlotte Warren on her retirement from
17 Lincoln Land Community College, and we wish her the best in all
18 her future endeavors; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Dr. Warren as an expression of our esteem and
21 respect.