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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to commend Christina "Chris" Kuberski on
4 her outstanding leadership and service to Highland Community
5 College and the citizens of northwestern Illinois throughout
6 her distinguished career in higher education; and

7 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski was named the ninth president of
8 Highland Community College in July 2020 after serving for five
9 years as the college's executive vice president; and

10 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski's leadership and commitment to
11 fostering a positive workplace culture helped Highland
12 Community College be recognized for three consecutive years
13 with the Best of the Region Community's Choice Award among
14 employers with 101 to 500 employees; and

15 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski guided Highland Community College
16 to national recognition from SmartAsset, ranking 59th among
17 community colleges nationwide and first among community
18 colleges in Illinois based on student success metrics,
19 including retention rates, affordability, and
20 student-to-faculty ratios; and

21 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski has transformed the campus of

1 Highland by enhancing educational opportunities and student
2 experiences, including the development of new welding and CNC
3 machining laboratories, a nursing simulation hospital, a
4 mobile medical unit, renovations to fine arts facilities,
5 improved student spaces, a new welcome center, and a new
6 testing center; and

7 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski has championed investments in
8 innovative technologies and student support systems, including
9 the implementation of DegreeWorks degree-planning software and
10 the CourseLeaf catalog management system, helping students
11 more effectively navigate their educational pathways; and

12 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski has demonstrated a strong
13 commitment to academic excellence and institutional
14 improvement through her service as a peer reviewer for the
15 Higher Learning Commission and as a member of the Alliance for
16 Innovation and Transformation; and

17 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski has remained actively engaged in
18 her community through service on the boards of the Greater
19 Freeport Partnership, Northwest Illinois Economic Development,
20 and the Region 1 Planning Council; and

21 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski's leadership and service have been
22 recognized through numerous honors, including the 2021 YWCA

1 Women of Achievement Business Award, the 2025 Stephenson
2 County Community Champion Award, and as one of Northwest
3 Quarterly's "25 Most Interesting People"; and

4 WHEREAS, Chris Kuberski's vision, dedication, and
5 commitment to student success has made a lasting impact on
6 Highland Community College, the Freeport region, and the State
7 of Illinois; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
9 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we commend Christina "Chris" Kuberski on her outstanding
11 leadership and service to Highland Community College and the
12 citizens of northwestern Illinois throughout her distinguished
13 career in higher education and wish her continued success and
14 happiness in all her future endeavors; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Chris Kuberski as a symbol of our respect and
17 esteem.