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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Doug Oberhelman on the
4 occasion of his retirement as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of
5 Caterpillar, Inc. after a 41-year career with Caterpillar
6 effective December 31, 2016; and

7 WHEREAS, Doug Oberhelman served as Chairman of the Board of
8 Directors and CEO of Caterpillar, Inc. from 2010 through 2016;
9 he will continue to serve Caterpillar, Inc. as Executive
10 Chairman of the Board through March 31, 2017; and

11 WHEREAS, Doug Oberhelman received his bachelor's degree in
12 finance from Millikin University; and

13 WHEREAS, During his tenure as Chairman and CEO, Doug
14 Oberhelman led Caterpillar, Inc. through accelerated business
15 cycles, implementing cost-efficiencies, and lean manufacturing
16 to simplify and improve global manufacturing and operations;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Doug Oberhelman has led Caterpillar, Inc. to renew
19 its focus on customers and reinforced its dedication to
20 quality, sustainability, and innovations critical to the
21 success of its employees, customers, and dealers; and

1 WHEREAS, Doug Oberhelman joined the Caterpillar, Inc
2 Treasury Department in 1975 and worked in or led a wide variety
3 of businesses across the company; he was elected a
4 Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer in 1995; from 2002
5 to 2010, he was a Group President with responsibility for many
6 of Caterpillar's core businesses; and

7 WHEREAS, Over the course of his career at Caterpillar, Inc.
8 Doug Oberhelman lived in North America, South America, and
9 Asia, and travelled extensively throughout the world; and

10 WHEREAS, Doug Oberhelman serves on the Board of Directors
11 of Exxon Mobil Corporation and is immediate past Chairman of
12 the Business Roundtable and former Chair of the National
13 Association of Manufacturers; he is Vice-President of the
14 Wetlands America Trust, a member of the Nature Conservancy's
15 Latin America Conservation Council, and Chairman of the Board
16 of Trustees for the Easter Seals Foundation of Central
17 Illinois; he previously served on the boards of Eli Lilly and
18 Company and Ameren Corporation; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
21 congratulate Doug Oberhelman on his retirement as Chief
22 Executive Officer of Caterpillar, Inc. and we wish him the best

1 in all his future endeavors; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to Doug Oberhelman as an expression of our esteem and
4 respect.