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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Richard E. "Dick" Helton on the occasion of his retirement from the Village of Savoy; and

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WHEREAS, Dick Helton served as Village Manager for the Village of Savoy from 2002 to 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Under Dick Helton's leadership, the Village of Savoy experienced a population growth of nearly 62% from 5,606 to almost 9,000; and

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WHEREAS, Dick Helton was responsible for the Champaign County Sheriff's Office contract for Savoy police protection and the creation of an excellent benefit package for Savoy employees, including IMRF; and

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WHEREAS, During Dick Helton's tenure, Savoy saw significant building projects and growth, including the Curtis Road/I-57 Interchange that will benefit citizens throughout the urbanized area for decades to come; and

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WHEREAS, Dick Helton represented Savoy with professionalism in community, governmental, and economic

1 development organizations; his leadership in the Champaign
2 County Educational Development Corporation, the CUUATS, the
3 Regional Planning Commission, the Champaign County Chamber of
4 Commerce, the Willard Airport Advisory Committee, and Visit
5 Champaign County enhanced Savoy's stature and profile; and

6 WHEREAS, Dick Helton was an integral part of the community
7 as a member of the Savoy Rotary Club for 17 years, serving as
8 president from 2010 to 2011; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we congratulate Richard E. "Dick" Helton on the occasion of his
12 retirement and further recognize his 17 and a half years of
13 faithful service to the Village of Savoy in addition to his
14 previous 24 years in economic development and municipal growth;
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Dick Helton as an expression of our esteem and
18 respect.