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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Dale Sands on the occasion 4 of his retirement as village president of Deer Park; and

WHEREAS, Dale Sands earned his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Central Michigan University, his Master of Science in Environmental Science from the University of Michigan, and his Master of Business Administration from California State University East Bay; and

WHEREAS, Dale Sands moved to Deer Park in 1993; he was first elected to the Deer Park Village Board as a trustee in 2009; he ran unopposed for village president in 2017 and served until his retirement; during his tenure, his achievements included the construction of Deer Park's first village hall, renovations to the historic Vehe Barn, and Deer Park becoming a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Green Power partner community for committing to use 100% renewable energy for an electric aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, Dale Sands worked for over 40 years in a wide range of executive leadership roles with leading engineering firms, including CH2M, AECOM, and ABB; he retired from a full-time career at a design engineering company in 2017; he is

- 1 frequently invited to speak at international climate and
- 2 environmental conferences; he has over 40 years of
- 3 environmental experience, including authoring 50 technical
- 4 publications and presentations; he has lived and traveled
- 5 internationally and has experience in 65 countries; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Dale Sands devoted time to ARISE, a private sector
- 7 organization focused on the Sendai Framework disaster risk
- 8 reduction goals, and served as the chair of the United Nations
- 9 ARISE Network of the United States and the co-chair of the
- 10 United Nations ARISE Global Board; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Dale Sands and his wife will divide their time on
- 12 a property with a renovated 1850s farmhouse in southeastern
- 13 Michigan and a house in Hawaii; therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 15 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 16 we congratulate Dale Sands on the occasion of his retirement as
- 17 village president of Deer Park, and we commend his commitment
- to the community of Deer Park; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 20 presented to Dale Sands as an expression of our esteem and
- 21 respect.