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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives wants to
3 recognize the contributions and career of Scott J. Helton,
4 Ed.D., Superintendent of DuPage High School District 88, who
5 tragically passed away on December 10, 2020; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton had more than 33 years of experience
7 in education and served in a variety of capacities, including
8 as principal of Addison Trail High School for 11 years and as
9 superintendent of DuPage High School District 88 since 2012;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was an educator who was passionate
12 about advancing the education of students entrusted to his
13 care; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton had a tremendous ability to connect
15 with and care for students; he made a positive difference in
16 the lives of countless individuals; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton could always be seen in the school
18 auditorium during theater events and music concerts and on the
19 field or in the gym at athletic competitions, cheering on each
20 and every student; he never missed an opportunity to celebrate
21 student success; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton believed each child could reach his or
2 her full potential; he championed student success and always
3 put the needs of students first; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was laser focused in his pursuit of
5 accomplishing District 88's mission to work for the continuous
6 improvement of student achievement; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was not merely an educational advocate
8 for District 88 but for students throughout DuPage County and
9 the State of Illinois; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton's passion and dedication to build
11 futures for students were second to none; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton continuously implemented programs and
13 services to help all students; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was constantly thinking about the
15 future and worked to enhance the district's Strategic Plan;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was a fierce advocate for equity; he
18 worked to ensure all students, staff, parents, and community
19 members felt welcome and safe, and he celebrated the diversity

1 of the community; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton partnered and worked closely with
3 local leaders and legislators to improve the district and
4 community; he was deeply ingrained in the District 88
5 community and frequently volunteered to help those in need;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was a loving and devoted father to his
8 three sons, Scott Jr., Joe, and Tommy; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton was a tremendous leader, mentor,
10 community pillar, person, and friend; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Helton will be greatly missed and remembered
12 for his leadership, friendship, spirit, teamwork, and
13 commitment; his legacy, in both his sons and the students he
14 served, will live on for years to come; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
16 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we recognize the contributions and career of Scott J. Helton,
18 Ed.D. and his more than 19 years of dedicated service to the
19 Board of Education of DuPage High School District 88; and be it
20 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Scott J. Helton, Ed.D., and the
3 Board of Education of DuPage High School District 88 as an
4 expression of our respect and esteem.