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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Fire Chief Craig A. Haigh  
4 on the occasion of his retirement after 33 years of service;  
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6           WHEREAS, Chief Haigh began his fire service career in 1983  
7 as a volunteer in his hometown of Hampton and served as  
8 Hampton's volunteer fire chief from 1991 to 1995; he was hired  
9 full time as a firefighter with the Rock Island Fire  
10 Department in 1988; he ultimately was appointed as their first  
11 EMS coordinator and developed and implemented the department's  
12 paramedic program; he left Hampton and Rock Island in 1995 and  
13 moved to North Carolina to become the first paid fire chief of  
14 the King Volunteer Fire Department, where he was tasked with  
15 transitioning the all-volunteer department into a combination  
16 agency (volunteer and paid employees); he returned to Illinois  
17 in 2002 to serve as fire chief for Hanover Park; and

18           WHEREAS, Chief Haigh, in addition to his duties as Hanover  
19 Park's fire chief, has served as the interim village manager  
20 and the director of emergency management; he created the  
21 Inspectional Services Division, developed, implemented, and  
22 managed the village's strategic planning program, and created  
23 the Fire Corps Rehab Response Team; and

1           WHEREAS, Chief Haigh has worked as an Illinois Fire  
2 Service Institute Field Staff Instructor since 1995; he  
3 regularly presents and speaks internationally and has written  
4 numerous training programs for the fire service; he has  
5 authored over 30 fire service trade journal articles,  
6 including the soon to be released The Dynamic Fire Chief:  
7 Principles for Organizational Management; therefore, be it

8           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
9 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we congratulate Fire Chief Craig A. Haigh on his retirement  
11 after 33 years of service, commend him for his dedication and  
12 outstanding service to the residents of Hanover Park, and wish  
13 him the best in all his future endeavors; and be it further

14           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to Chief Haigh as a symbol of our respect and esteem.