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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Christine J. Sobek,
4 Ed.D., on the occasion of her 20th year serving as president of
5 Waubonsee Community College; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek became the fourth president of
7 Waubonsee Community College on July 1, 2001; in this role, she
8 is responsible for the overall leadership of the college,
9 which serves more than 14,000 students each year, employs
10 approximately 1,100 employees, and provides educational
11 programs and services at a network of four permanent campuses
12 located across the 624-square-mile college district and
13 through extensive virtual and online classes and services; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek has more than 40 years of community
15 college administrative experience; she served in several
16 administrative roles at Waubonsee Community College prior to
17 her appointment as president, including provost from 2000 to
18 2001, executive vice president for Educational Affairs from
19 1997 to 2000, assistant vice president for Instruction from
20 1993 to 1997, assistant vice president for Student Development
21 from 1991 to 1993, and dean of Student Development from 1989 to
22 1991; and

1 WHEREAS, Prior to joining Waubonsee Community College in
2 1989, Dr. Sobek served at the College of Lake County in
3 Grayslake for 11 years, where her leadership roles included
4 executive assistant to the president, director of Personnel,
5 Affirmative Action officer, and director of Placement; she
6 also served as an adjunct faculty member at Trinity College in
7 Deerfield from 1985 to 1989 and as an assistant director of
8 Student Affairs at Lyman Briggs Residential College at
9 Michigan State University; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek has participated in a number of local
11 organizations, including serving as a member of the Invest
12 Aurora Board of Directors, the Marmion Academy Board of
13 Trustees, the Mutual Ground Advisory Board, the Conservation
14 Foundation Leadership Board and as trustee emeritus, and
15 serving as vice chair of the City of Aurora Education
16 Commission and the Rush-Copley Medical Center Board of
17 Directors; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek belongs to several regional, state, and
19 national organizations; on the regional and state level, she
20 is a member of the Illinois Facilities Fund, where she serves
21 on the Chicago Area Local Market Advisory Committee, and the
22 Illinois Council of Community College Presidents; on the
23 national level, she belongs to the Association of American
24 Colleges and Universities Presidents' Trust, the Alliance for

1 Innovation and Transformation as an executive committee member
2 and a secretary/treasurer, and the American Association of
3 Community Colleges Advocacy Advisory Group; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek has received a number of accolades
5 during her career, including Crain's Chicago Business
6 Chicago's Notable Women in Education, the Quad County Urban
7 League's Woman of Power Award, Phi Theta Kappa International
8 Honor Society's Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction, and
9 the Illinois Community College Trustees Association Advocacy
10 Award; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Sobek earned her doctoral degree from
12 Northern Illinois University, her master's degree from
13 Michigan State University, and her bachelor's degree from
14 Purdue University; she is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and an
15 honorary member of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor
16 Society; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
18 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
19 we congratulate Christine J. Sobek, Ed.D., on serving as
20 president of Waubensee Community College for the past 20
21 years, thank her for her commitment to the community and the
22 State of Illinois, and wish her continued success; and be it
23 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Dr. Sobek as an expression of our esteem and
3 respect.