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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to honor the 10-year tenure of our
4 esteemed colleague, Representative Sam Yingling, and thank him
5 for his dedicated service to his community and our State; and

6 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling was born and raised in Lake County,
7 and he attended Carmel Catholic High School in Mundelein; he
8 graduated from DePaul University in Chicago, where he studied
9 Public Policy & Administration and Metropolitan Land Use
10 (Urban Planning) and Political Science; and

11 WHEREAS, From a young age, Rep. Yingling learned the value
12 of hard work by helping his grandparents and parents with the
13 family-owned restaurant, which fostered his entrepreneurial
14 spirit and led him to become a small business owner and a
15 realtor; and

16 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling has been dedicated to the Lake
17 County community by serving as a board member of the immigrant
18 resource center Mano a Mano, the former president of the Round
19 Lake Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Round Lake Beach
20 Cultural and Civic Center Foundation; and

21 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling has been a passionate public

1 servant; he started his career in government as the supervisor
2 of the Avon Township, a position he held from 2009 to 2013,
3 during which he cut taxes for residents while protecting
4 important services; and

5 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling was elected to the Illinois House
6 of Representatives in 2013, becoming the first openly LGBTQ+
7 member elected outside the City of Chicago; and

8 WHEREAS, Using his experience as a former township
9 supervisor, Rep. Yingling served as the chairman of the
10 Counties and Townships Committee and the Government
11 Consolidation & Modernization Committee; he worked to reform
12 local government to make it more transparent and
13 taxpayer-friendly by consolidating redundant units of
14 government and barring politicians from receiving multiple
15 taxpayer-funded paychecks for the same job; and

16 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling has been a leading voice in the
17 efforts to reform Illinois' property tax system and bring
18 financial relief to his constituents; he was the chairman of
19 the Property Tax Relief Task Force and fought to make
20 taxpayer-friendly reforms to the Lake County Assessor's
21 Office; and

22 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling has been a leader in the fight for

1 marriage equality and an advocate for the LGBTQ+ community; he
2 played a pivotal role in helping pass legislation legalizing
3 gay marriage in Illinois; he also introduced and sponsored a
4 number of bills to crack down on abusive conversion therapy;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Rep. Yingling has worked tirelessly to bring
7 much-needed resources into his district; he regularly held
8 resource fairs, Know Your Rights seminars, student financial
9 aid workshops, and other events to help provide support to his
10 constituents; and

11 WHEREAS, All who served alongside Rep. Yingling will miss
12 his friendship and his commitment to serving his constituents
13 and bettering the State for all of its citizens; therefore, be
14 it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
16 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we congratulate Representative Sam Yingling on his
18 achievements, thank him for his years of dedication to serving
19 the people of his district and the State of Illinois, and wish
20 him the best in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to Rep. Yingling as an expression of our esteem and

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1 respect.