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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to thank our friend and colleague, 4 Representative Tom Bennett, on the occasion of his retirement 5 from the House; and 6 WHEREAS, After a long career in education and information 7 technology, Rep. Bennett began his service in the Illinois 8 House in January 2015; and 9 WHEREAS, Rep. Bennett was a tireless advocate for his 10 district; with almost unlimited energy, he sought to visit 11 every fair, festival, civic meeting, community event, picnic, pancake breakfast, fish fry, and chicken dinner within the 12 13 boundaries of the 106th district; and 14 WHEREAS, Rep. Bennett applied that same boundless energy to his work in the Capitol by advocating for our schools, small 15 16 businesses, farmers, first responders, and the disabled; and 17 WHEREAS, Rep. Bennett was a dedicated force for respect, civility, and good relations between members during his years 18 in office; he sought to bring people of diverse viewpoints 19 20 together in friendship, sometimes over dinner or over Oreo 21 cookies; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Rep. Bennett was recently appointed to continue
- 2 representing his constituents as a member of the Illinois
- 3 State Senate and will thus be departing this chamber at the
- 4 conclusion of the 102nd General Assembly; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we thank Representative Tom Bennett for his friendship and his
- 8 years of service to the people of the 106th district and to all
- 9 the people of Illinois; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That we wish Rep. Bennett, his wife, Kathy,
- their children, and their grandchildren many happy and healthy
- 12 years to come; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to Rep. Bennett as an expression of our esteem and
- 15 respect.