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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Reverend Leslie Sanders Sr. on the occasion of his 50 years of ministry and for his service as senior pastor to the Hope Presbyterian Church of Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders is a native of Memphis, Tennessee; he attended St. Peters Baptist Church, where he received his call to ministry at the age of 18; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders began theological training at Christian Brothers College in Memphis; he continued his training at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, where he earned his Master of Theological Studies; he was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the Mid-South Theological Seminary of Indiana; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders was recommended to the Hope Presbyterian Church of Chicago by Rev. Dr. Floyd N. Rhodes in February 1986; he formally became the church's stated supply pastor in March 1987; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders has demonstrated a dynamic style of preaching through his leadership and his abundance of energy

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1 and enthusiasm; under his guidance, the church has experienced  
2 rapid growth spiritually, numerically, and financially; and

3 WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders has also remained committed to  
4 providing civic and community service; and

5 WHEREAS, Rev. Sanders is married to Lady Julie, and they  
6 have two sons, two daughters, and six grandchildren;  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
9 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we congratulate Reverend Leslie Sanders Sr. on his 50 years of  
11 ministry and for his service as senior pastor to the Hope  
12 Presbyterian Church of Chicago; and be it further

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