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## SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to congratulate Stanley Campbell on the occasion of his retirement as executive director of Rockford Urban Ministries; and

WHEREAS, Rockford Urban Ministries (RUM), located at 201
Seventh Street in Rockford, is an outreach organization of the
United Methodist Church and a longtime champion of social
justice causes; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Campbell was born in Eau Claire, Wisconsin; he was raised and has lived in Rockford since he was five years old; he served in the U.S. Army, and he pursued peace activism upon returning from Vietnam; he earned his degree in human services from Rock Valley College; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Campbell co-founded the Rock Valley Food Pantry, northern Illinois' largest food pantry; his ability to unite and organize others behind causes, including hunger, homelessness, and anti-violence efforts, caught the attention of the Rockford Urban Ministries Council, which selected him as the first non-clergy member to lead the organization in 1985; and

- 1 WHEREAS, During his tenure as executive director, Stanley
- 2 Campbell co-founded the Rockford Interfaith Council,
- 3 co-founded Promised Land Employment Services, founded Rockford
- 4 Peace and Justice, co-founded the Rockford CROP Hunger Walk,
- 5 served as project lead for the needle exchange program Harm
- 6 Reduction Outreach, founded the JustGoods Fair Trade
- 7 Marketplace, and was a Rockford facilitator for Northern
- 8 Illinois Justice for Our Neighbors, a ministry that welcomes
- 9 immigrants to Northern Illinois churches; and
- 10 WHEREAS, For over four decades, Stanley Campbell has been
- identifying and meeting community needs and fighting to right
- 12 injustices; his work has made an indelible impact on the
- 13 community of Rockford; and
- 14 WHEREAS, After nearly 40 years, Stanley Campbell will
- 15 conclude serving as executive director on July 1, 2023;
- 16 therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate
- 19 Stanley Campbell on his retirement as executive director of
- 20 the Rockford Urban Ministries (RUM), commend him for his
- 21 dedicated service to the community of Rockford, and wish him
- the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

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