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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to congratulate former Chicago Bulls star Derrick Rose on his retirement from the NBA after 16 seasons; and

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WHEREAS, Derrick Rose was born and raised in the Englewood neighborhood on Chicago's South Side and attended Simeon Career Academy, where he helped the school become the first in the Chicago Public League to win two straight state championships in basketball; and

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WHEREAS, Derrick Rose was selected number one by the Chicago Bulls out of the University of Memphis in the 2008 NBA Draft; and

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WHEREAS, Derrick Rose won NBA Rookie of the Year in 2009 after averaging 16.8 points and 6.3 assists per game and followed that with the first of his three All-Star seasons; and

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WHEREAS, Derrick Rose was selected as NBA MVP at the age of 22 in 2011 and is still the youngest player in league history to win MVP; and

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WHEREAS, Derrick Rose averaged 19.7 points, 6.2 assists,

1 and 3.7 rebounds per game in seven seasons with the Bulls; and

2 WHEREAS, Derrick Rose played for the New York Knicks,  
3 Cleveland Cavaliers, Minnesota Timberwolves, Detroit Pistons,  
4 and Memphis Grizzlies after leaving the Bulls; therefore, be  
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6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that congratulate former  
8 Chicago Bulls star Derrick Rose on his retirement from the NBA  
9 after 16 seasons, and we wish him the best in all his future  
10 endeavors; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to Derrick Rose as a symbol of our respect and  
13 esteem.