

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Education of our State's children and youth is  
3 one of the most noble and important professions; and

4 WHEREAS, Reverend Clyde Williams is retiring from his  
5 position of counselor at Judge Billy Jones Elementary School  
6 of East Saint Louis School District #189; and

7 WHEREAS, Reverend Williams is the youngest child of  
8 Reverend and Mrs. McKinley (Jessie) Williams; he was born St.  
9 Louis, Missouri, but has lived the majority of his life in  
10 the East Saint Louis area; and

11 WHEREAS, Reverend Williams attended Webster Elementary,  
12 Rock Junior High, and East St. Louis Senior High School; he  
13 attended Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville where  
14 he received a Bachelor of Science degree in education and a  
15 Master of Science degree in guidance and counseling; and

16 WHEREAS, Prior to working for District #189, Reverend  
17 Williams worked as a custodian, a postal clerk, and a  
18 musician; he was in the music ministry at New Bethel Baptist  
19 Church and Macedonia Baptist Church; he has served at several  
20 churches in the East St. Louis and St. Louis, Missouri area;  
21 he is currently a member of the music ministry at St. Paul  
22 Baptist Church and minister of music at Mt. Pisgah Baptist  
23 Church, both of East St. Louis; and

24 WHEREAS, Thirty-six years ago, Reverend Williams began  
25 his teaching career with District #189 as a substitute  
26 teacher, then as a full time class room teacher at Parkside  
27 Elementary in a self contained fourth grade classroom;  
28 additionally, he has taught at John F. Kennedy Elementary,  
29 Hughes-Quinn Junior High, and East Side Senior High School,  
30 as well as serving as a district general music supervisor; he  
31 is retiring from his position as counselor at Judge Billy

1 Jones Elementary; and

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Williams is married to Annette Edwynna  
3 (Clark) Williams; they have been married for 29 years and  
4 have two children, Edward and Veronica, and 11 grandchildren;  
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
7 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
8 we congratulate Reverend Clyde Williams on the occasion of  
9 his retirement from District #189 and commend him for his  
10 work with children and youth; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to Reverend Clyde Williams as a token of our  
13 respect and esteem and with best wishes for a relaxing and  
14 peaceful retirement.