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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate Dave Swickard of Charleston on the occasion of his retirement and to thank him for his many years of community service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Swickard has served the community for more than 45 years as a licensed funeral service professional; he served 4 years as the Coles County Coroner; he retired from his position at Harper-Swickard Funeral Home in November of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Swickard has volunteered his services at the local Chapter of the Red Cross for over 20 years and is a member and past president of the Charleston Rotary Club, a member of the Paul McVey V.F.W. Post #1592, and a member of the Coles County Barbershop Chorus; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Swickard has been an active member of Wesley United Methodist Church, participating for more than 50 years in the Chancel Choir; he worked with his wife, Alice Jayne, on the Charleston High School spring musical for several years, building sets for nearly every production; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Swickard is the father of 2 children, Reverend Bob and his wife, Gina, and Laura and her husband, Paul Worrall; he is the grandfather of 4 children, Elyssa, Joshua, Kalia, and Elayna; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dave Swickard on the occasion of his retirement and thank him for his many years of community service in the Charleston area; and be it further

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