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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Richard Nardini will be retiring from the Leyden 3 High School District 212 School Board after 36 years on the 4 board; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Nardini first won election to the school board 6 in 1969; he has served as president of the board for the past 7 29 years, and even before becoming president, he took an active 8 position in all decisions made by the Leyden Board of 9 Education; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Nardini has been head of the Board of 11 Education longer than any other president in the history of 12 Leyden, providing thoughtful and effective leadership for 36 13 years; he is a 1952 Leyden graduate, and all five of his 14 children graduated from East Leyden; and

15 WHEREAS, He has been diligent in his leadership of the 16 school management team; he would continually study information 17 about the schools, attend conferences sponsored by the Illinois and National Associations of School Boards, and has always been 18 19 a perceptive listener to suggestion from parents, staff, and community members; he has been the chief negotiator for the 20 board, working to establish constructive teacher union 21 22 contracts; and

23 WHEREAS, In 1992, Mr. Nardini was honored to be given the 24 Thomas Lay Burroughs Award for the State's Outstanding School 25 Board President; in 2004, at commencement ceremonies, he handed 26 a diploma to the last of his grandchildren living in District 27 212; and

28 WHEREAS, This summer, he celebrates his 55th year as an 29 employee of the Chicago Sun-Times, currently serving as the 30 director of classified advertising; he has been married to his HR0310 -2- LRB094 11970 HSS 44858 r wife, Mabel for 48 years; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Nardini's leadership skills, integrity, and 3 ethics will be missed as he retires from the board; therefore, 4 be it

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5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 6 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 7 we congratulate Richard Nardini on the occasion of his 8 retirement from the Leyden High School District 212 School 9 Board after 36 years of service, and we thank him for his many 10 years of dedication to the citizens, faculty, staff, and 11 students of the district; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 13 presented to him as an expression of our respect and esteem and 14 with best wishes for a relaxing retirement.