



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Kenneth W. Marabella held the position of
3 Administrator in the Village of Mundelein from January 1975 to
4 May 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Marabella has served the Village of Mundelein
6 continuously under the administrations of Mayors Noll, McRae,
7 and Sindles; and

8 WHEREAS, At the time of his retirement, Kenneth Marabella
9 was the longest-serving municipal administrator in the State of
10 Illinois; and

11 WHEREAS, He has guided the development of the Village of
12 Mundelein from a population of 17,000 to 32,000 and an assessed
13 value of 70 million to 610 million dollars; and

14 WHEREAS, During his tenure, the value of the Village of
15 Mundelein's municipal infrastructure has grown to an estimated
16 value of approximately 750 million dollars; and

17 WHEREAS, A high quality and plentiful supply of Lake
18 Michigan water, one of the Village of Mundelein's most
19 significant assets, was brought to Mundelein under the
20 direction of Kenneth Marabella; and

21 WHEREAS, Other significant Village of Mundelein
22 improvements constructed and funded under his direction
23 include expansion of the wastewater treatment plant,
24 development of a commuter rail station, construction of two new
25 fire stations and a new police station, and expansion of the
26 public works facility; and

27 WHEREAS, Kenneth Marabella was the first Village
28 Administrator in the State of Illinois to be recognized as a

1 Credentialed Manager by the International City Managers
2 Association; and

3 WHEREAS, He has fostered cooperation, communication, and
4 fellowship among governmental leaders in the Village of
5 Mundelein and throughout Lake County; and

6 WHEREAS, He has been a valued member of more than 30
7 professional and civic organizations committed to improving
8 the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Lake County;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, He has steadfastly promoted professional
11 management and technological advancement within all Village
12 departments; and

13 WHEREAS, He directed the efforts of a multi-governmental
14 county-state-federal task force to bring an Automated Wayside
15 Horn System to the rail crossings in and adjacent to the
16 Village of Mundelein; this Wayside Horn System was the first
17 such system in the State of Illinois, the success of which has
18 had a significant impact on the Federal Railroad Administration
19 in regard to rules governing rail crossing safety regulations
20 nationwide; and

21 WHEREAS, Kenneth Marabella's supportive leadership style
22 employing open communication, a strong commitment to ethics,
23 and a unique sense of humor have been appreciated and enjoyed
24 by Village of Mundelein staff and elected officials for the
25 past 30 years; therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
27 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
28 we congratulate Village Administrator Kenneth W. Marabella on
29 the occasion of his retirement and recognize and appreciate his
30 exemplary and extraordinary accomplishments for the Village of

1 Mundelein and the people of Illinois; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to Kenneth W. Marabella as an expression of our
4 admiration and esteem.