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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Dr. Sharon K. Hahs has been installed as President of Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago; NEIU is a fully accredited public university serving over 12,000 students from the Chicago metropolitan area with an affordable, high quality academic experience; and

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WHEREAS, Prior to assuming the role of President, Dr. Hahs served as Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Director of Special Projects at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE); and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hahs has more than 30 years experience in higher education; she served as Dean of the School of Humanities and Sciences at the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg from 1984 to 1994, and as Dean of the newly-formed College of Arts and Sciences at SIUE from 1995 to 2000; and

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WHEREAS, On July 1, 2000, Dr. Hahs was appointed Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; SIUE has approximately 13,500 students in the College of Arts and Sciences and the Schools of Business, Dental Medicine, Education, Engineering, Nursing, and Pharmacy; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hahs was instrumental in building campus-wide

1 collaborative efforts that resulted in national recognition  
2 for the quality of SIUE's academic programs; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Hahs was a member of the chemistry faculty at  
4 Metropolitan State College in Denver from 1974 to 1984, where  
5 she was promoted to Associate Professor and Professor; and she  
6 served as Special Assistant to the Vice President for Academic  
7 Affairs for the 1982-1983 academic year; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Hahs earned her Ph.D. and M.S. in inorganic  
9 chemistry from the University of New Mexico and her B.A. in  
10 chemistry from Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Hahs has been married to Billy G. Hash, Jr.  
12 for 38 years; they have two daughters, Cara Elouise Hahs,  
13 married to Dan Maxfield, and Ona Marie Hahs, married to Daniel  
14 Tenny; they have one grandson, Dylan Cole Maxfield; she was  
15 born in Washington, Indiana; among her special interests are  
16 chasing solar eclipses, international travel, gardening, and  
17 music; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
19 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
20 congratulate Dr. Sharon K. Hahs on the occasion of her  
21 installation as President of Northeastern Illinois University  
22 in Chicago and wish her continued success and happiness in the

1 future; and be it further

2       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
3 presented to Dr. Sharon K. Hahs as a symbol of our esteem and  
4 respect.