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## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Cherry Valley 4 Police Chief Gary Maitland on his retirement, May 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Gary Maitland career has included time in England as an exchange officer and training at the FBI Academy; and

WHEREAS, Under Chief Maitland's 12 years of service as chief, the department's headquarters went from about 800 square feet to 10,000 square feet when a new Village Hall opened in 2001; other improvements included updating the procedures for high-risk situations to comply with national standards, and the village's approval of a referendum to create a municipal police pension system for local officers; and

WHEREAS, Much of the police work in the village centers around CherryVale Mall, Menards, Hilander, and the other commercial sites in the community; the police department has a staff of 18, with 15 full-time staff, to keep order on the streets in the 4.5-square-mile village with 2,500 residents and nine million shoppers each year; there were 229 arrests for shoplifting at the mall in 2002 and last year there were 342; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Gary Maitland and his wife, Barbara, have two sons
- 2 and three grandchildren; his retirement plans include golfing,
- 3 reading, yard work, and day trips with Barbara; therefore, be
- 4 it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 6 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 7 congratulate Chief Gary Maitland on his retirement and thank
- 8 him for his service to the community; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to Chief Gary Maitland as a symbol of our respect.