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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 William A. Biang on 4 the occasion of his retirement as Chief of the Waukegan Police 5 Department; and

WHEREAS, William Biang began his career with the Waukegan Police Department in July of 1978 after graduating Cum Laude from Western Illinois University with a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in law enforcement administration; he is a graduate of the FBI National Academy 181st Session and the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command, as well as a graduate of numerous IACP and Illinois State Police management and technical courses; and

WHEREAS, In 1983, William Biang was promoted to Sergeant Patrol and was assigned to the Division, Criminal Investigations Bureau to perform both adult and juvenile investigations; he was also assigned to the Community Services Division; in 1989, he was promoted to lieutenant and was assigned as the Juvenile Bureau Commander; from 1990 to 1993, he was appointed to serve as Deputy Chief of Police and was for all operational aspects of responsible the police department, including patrols, special operations, investigations; and

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WHEREAS, In 1993, William Biang earned the rank of Captain and was assigned as the Commander of Administrative Services, where he was in charge of Internal Affairs; he was then assigned to serve as the Commander of Special Operations, where he took charge of gang and narcotics investigations, as well as S.W.A.T. operations; in 1996, he organized the Repeat Offender Strike Force of Lake County, a multi-jurisdictional task force, and served as its first commander; in 1997, he was re-appointed as the Deputy Chief of Police and was responsible for Support Services; as Deputy Chief, he was instrumental in adopting and implementing Community Policing and Neighborhood Policing strategies within the Waukegan Police Department; in 2003, he was appointed to serve as the Chief of the Waukegan Police Department, where he remained until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, William Biang is a member of numerous community and law enforcement organizations, including the Advisory Board of the Staben Center, the Northern Illinois Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (NICASA), the IACP, the Illinois Chiefs of Police, the Lake County Chiefs of Police, the Metropolitan Enforcement Group Board of Directors, and the Board of the Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab; he is a board member of Boys and Girls Club of Lake County and the Lake County YMCA; he has also served as vice president of the Board of the Lake County Major Crimes Task Force; and

- 1 WHEREAS, William Biang lives in Waukegan with his wife and
- 2 his three children; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 5 congratulate William A. Biang on the occasion of his retirement
- and wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
- 7 further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to William Biang as a symbol of our esteem and
- 10 respect.