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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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 on May 4, 2009; and

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

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

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

15           WHEREAS, William Biang is a member of numerous community  
16 and law enforcement organizations, including the Advisory  
17 Board of the Staben Center, the Northern Illinois Council on  
18 Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (NICASA), the IACP, the Illinois  
19 Chiefs of Police, the Lake County Chiefs of Police, the  
20 Metropolitan Enforcement Group Board of Directors, and the  
21 Board of the Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab; he is a board  
22 member of Boys and Girls Club of Lake County and the Lake  
23 County YMCA; he has also served as vice president of the Board  
24 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  
6 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.