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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Bob Spoo has retired after coaching high school and collegiate football for 50 years, the last 25 as the head coach at Eastern Illinois University; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Bob Spoo recorded 144 wins during his 25 years at Eastern Illinois University, the most in school history; and

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WHEREAS, Nine of Coach Bob Spoo's Eastern Illinois University teams appeared in NCAA post-season tournaments, the fifth most in the history of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Spoo was honored with 4 conference "Coach of the Year" awards and was once named runner-up for national "Coach of the Year"; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Spoo's 25 years at Eastern Illinois University rank him fourth among active NCAA Division I coaches for longest tenure at the same university; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Spoo's 50 years of service brought honor and distinction to Eastern Illinois University and the State of Illinois due to his integrity, his dedication, and his

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1 commitment to mentoring thousands of young men; therefore, be
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3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we congratulate Coach Bob Spoo on his retirement and wish him
6 continued success in the future; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Coach Bob Spoo as a symbol of our respect and
9 esteem.