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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate R.E. "Rick" Szalach on the  
4 occasion of his retirement as the Refinery Manager of the Exxon  
5 Mobil Corporation's Joliet Refinery; and

6           WHEREAS, Rick Szalach first joined the Mobil Oil Company in  
7 Buffalo, New York as a project engineer in May of 1979; he  
8 subsequently progressed through a number of engineering and  
9 supervisory positions with the company in Buffalo and Beaumont,  
10 Texas before being appointed as Assistant Manager at the  
11 Central Service Maintenance Department at the Paulsboro  
12 Refinery in 1988; and

13           WHEREAS, Rick Szalach served the Mobil Oil Company in  
14 several capacities; he was named as Maintenance Manager at the  
15 Paulsboro Refinery in 1994, serving there until his return to  
16 the Beaumont Refinery as Production Manager in 1997; in 2000,  
17 he was appointed as Process Manager of Beaumont Refinery, where  
18 he served until he was selected to serve as the Americas  
19 Product Optimization Manager of Global Logistics Optimization  
20 in Fairfax, Virginia; and

21           WHEREAS, In 2005, Rick Szalach was named Refinery Manager  
22 of the Joliet Refinery; he served in that position until his

1 retirement from the Exxon Mobil Corporation; and

2 WHEREAS, Rick Szalach is well known for his extensive and  
3 impressive educational background and his keen business  
4 acumen; he earned his Bachelors of Science in Mechanical  
5 Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and his  
6 Master of Science in Engineering and Business Management from  
7 Lamar University; and

8 WHEREAS, Rick Szalach shares this honor with his wife,  
9 Stephanie, and his daughters; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
11 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
12 we congratulate R.E. "Rick" Szalach on the occasion of his  
13 retirement as the Refinery Manager of the Exxon Mobil  
14 Corporation's Joliet Refinery and wish him the best in all his  
15 future endeavors; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to Rick Szalach as an expression of our esteem and  
18 respect.