

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives congratulate Senator John W. Maitland, Jr.,
4 of Bloomington for his illustrious legislative career on the
5 occasion of his retirement from the Illinois Senate after
6 serving for 24 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland was born July 29, 1936, in
8 Normal to John and Elsa Maitland; he married Joanne Sieg and
9 together they have 3 children: Jodi Ann Zook, John III, and
10 Jay; he is the grandfather of seven: Amanda, Justin, and Abby
11 Maitland; Dana, Carly Ann, and Samantha Zook, and Alexia
12 Maitland; and

13 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland is a United States Marine Corps
14 veteran and farms 2300 acres; and

15 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland attended Danvers High School,
16 Normal Community High School, and Illinois State University;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland has served the State of
19 Illinois as Senator since 1978 and as the Assistant Majority
20 Leader since 1993; and

21 WHEREAS, During his tenure, the "Dean of the Senate"
22 served on several committees for the National Conference of
23 State Legislatures, including Chairman of the Agriculture,
24 Food Policy and Nutrition Committee in 1986 and 1997,
25 Chairman of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee from 1992
26 to 1993 and Committee Member from 1993 to 1994, the Executive
27 Committee in 1993, 1994, and 1998, and the Federal Budget and
28 Taxation Committee, State Federal Assembly, from 1993 to
29 1994; and

30 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland served as Co-Chairman of the
31 Illinois Pension Laws Commission from 1996 through 2000,

1 Chairman of the State Board of Education's Mandate Task
2 Force, and Vice-Chairman of the Task Force on School Finance;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland's extensive list of awards
5 throughout his career includes Outstanding Legislator of the
6 Year by the Illinois Association of the Homes for the Aging
7 in 1989, the Illinois Community Action Association in 1989,
8 and the Child Association of Illinois in 1988 and 1989; he
9 received the Legislative Award from the Illinois Correctional
10 Association in 1992, the Layman of the Year Award from the
11 Bloomington Kiwanis Club in 1992, and the Friend of
12 Extension Award from the Illinois Alpha Nu Chapter of Epsilon
13 Sigma Phi in 1995; Senator Maitland received a 100% Rating
14 from the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce from 1992 through
15 1999, and from the National Federation of Independent
16 Business/Illinois in 1992; in 1995, he received the Illinois
17 State University "E. Burton Mercier Alumni Achievement Award"
18 and in 2001, Senator Maitland received the Illinois
19 Biotechnology Leadership Award; and

20 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland is an active member of his
21 community, serving on the Board of Trustees for Illinois
22 Wesleyan University and the Board of Directors for National
23 City Bank; he is on the Founding Steering Committee of the
24 Lincoln Club of McLean County, the Aquaculture Advisory Board
25 of Illinois State University, and the Bloomington-Normal
26 Agriculture Club; Senator Maitland belongs to the Kewanis
27 Club and the McLean County Farm Bureau; he was the Former
28 President of Illinois Wesleyan Associates Board of Directors
29 from 1986 to 1987; and

30 WHEREAS, Senator Maitland is an active member of Trinity
31 Lutheran Church; therefore be it

32 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
2 we congratulate Senator John W. Maitland, Jr., on his
3 retirement; we thank him for his service to the State of
4 Illinois and wish him all the best in his future endeavors;
5 and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Senator John Maitland as an expression of our
8 esteem.