RETIREMENT SPEECH

FOR

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SAMPLE

Hello everyone!! We tend to gather together as a group in this room on special but rare occasions. Today is one of those exceptional moments … like a blue moon or an elusive comet that swoops by once in a lifetime. It’s been thirty years in the making and every day that has passed since \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1985 makes this moment that much more special, exciting… well at least for **ONE** person (**look her way and wait for the laugh**) and bitter sweet. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been a backbone of this company for the past three decades and if anyone has any doubts about the contribution she has made to this organization, speak to me… I have worked with her for the past seventeen years and quite honestly I cannot imagine this place without her!

I once read a quote that said; “Getting any work done is difficult when your co-workers are so (**do you want to say “friggin?” That was in the original quote**) awesome.” The truth is that getting any work done **WITHOUT** the invaluable contribution of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is going to be a new and interesting challenge!