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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Madigan in the chair.

Prayer by Pastor Keith Tipple of the Faith Temple Assembly of God in Frankfort, IL.

Representative Hamos led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

116 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representative Collins was excused from attendance.

### REQUEST TO BE SHOWN ON QUORUM

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative Scully, should be recorded as present.

### TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Joseph Lyons replaced Representative Turner in the Committee on Rules on October 28, 2003.

Representative Osterman replaced Representative Hannig in the Committee on Rules on October 28, 2003.

Representative Black replaced Representative Sullivan in the Committee on Public Utilities on October 28, 2003.

### REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on October 28, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Second Reading Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 702, 783, 794, 963, 976, 1014, 1049, 1656, 1676, 1691, 1704 and 1935.

The committee roll call vote on the following Foregoing Measures is as follows:

4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson

A Black, William(R)

Y Hannig, Gary(D) (Osterman)

Y Hassert, Brent(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Turner, Arthur(D)

That the Motion be reported "recommends be adopted" and placed on the House Calendar:

Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto on HOUSE BILL 313.

Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto on HOUSE BILL 1516.

Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto on HOUSE BILL 2545.

Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto on HOUSE BILL 3048.

Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto on HOUSE BILL 3080.

That the Motion be reported "recommends be not adopted" and placed on the House Calendar:

Accept Motion on HOUSE BILL 3313.

The committee roll call vote on the following Foregoing Measures is as follows:

5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson

Y Black, William(R)

Y Hannig,Gary(D)  
Y Turner,Arthur(D)

Y Hassert,Brent(R), Republican Spokesperson

### COMMITTEE ON RULES REFERRALS

Representative Currie, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, reported the following legislative measures and/or joint action motions have been assigned as follows:

Elementary & Secondary Education: SENATE BILL 1400.

Personnel & Pensions: SENATE BILL 1510.

Higher Education: Motion to Concur in SENATE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 920.

Judiciary II - Criminal Law: Motion to Concur in SENATE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 577.

Revenue: HOUSE BILL 3828; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 40.

Veterans Affairs: HOUSE BILL 3835.

Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1014.

Insurance: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 783.

Local Government: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 2 to SENATE BILL 1049.

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 702; HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 794.

### VETO MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Representative Leitch submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

#### MOTION #1

I move that HOUSE BILL 429 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Eileen Lyons submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

#### MOTION #1

I move that HOUSE BILL 2895 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Reitz submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

#### MOTION #1

I move that HOUSE BILL 1186 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative O'Brien submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

#### MOTION #1

I move that HOUSE BILL 3556 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.



Representative Jones submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move that HOUSE BILL 1480 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Capparelli submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move that HOUSE BILL 2425 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Jerry Mitchell submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #2**

I move that HOUSE BILL 1180 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Daniels submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #2**

I move that HOUSE BILL 1087 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Slone submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #2**

I move that HOUSE BILL 3313 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Madigan submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #2**

I move that HOUSE BILL 3412 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Monique Davis submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move that HOUSE BILL 200 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Monique Davis submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move that HOUSE BILL 197 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Representative Daniels submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 1087 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1087  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 1087 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1087  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 1087 on line 8, by replacing "establish and administer" with the following: "study the benefits of, and determine what the cost would be to establish,".

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Flider submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 3048 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3048  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 3048 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3048  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 3048 on page 2, by inserting after line 4 the following:

"The provisions of this Section shall not apply to federally funded construction projects if such application would jeopardize the receipt or use of federal funds in support of such a project."

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Joseph Lyons submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 1516 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1516  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 1516 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1516  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 1516 on page 1, line 5, by deleting "12,"; and on page 1, by deleting lines 6 through 31; and by deleting all of pages 2 and 3; and on page 4, by deleting lines 1 through 10.  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Hoffman submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 313 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT 1 TO HOUSE BILL 313  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 313 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 313  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 313 as follows:  
on page 1, line 28, by adding the following sentence after "Code."  
"In implementing and enforcing the provisions of this Section, the Department and other authorized State agencies shall do so in a manner that is not inconsistent with any applicable federal law or regulation so that no federal funding or support is jeopardized by the enactment or application of these provisions."; and on page 3, line 11, by adding the following language after "passengers":  
"are only exempted to the extent that the safety testing requirements applicable to such vehicles in the state of registration are no less stringent than the safety testing requirements applicable to contract carriers that are lawfully registered in Illinois".  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Cross submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 3412 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT 1 TO HOUSE BILL 3412  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 3412 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3412  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 3412 as follows:  
on page 2, after line 2, by inserting the following:  
""Commission" means an ethics commission created by this Act."; and on page 2, after line 22, by inserting the following:  
""Gift" means any gratuity, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other tangible or intangible item having monetary value including, but not limited to, cash, food, and drink, and honoraria for speaking engagements related to or attributable to government employment or the official position of an employee, member, or officer."; and on page 5, after line 6, by inserting the following:  
""Prohibited Source" means any person or entity who:

(1) is seeking official action (i) by the member or officer or (ii) in the case of an employee, by the employee or by the member, officer, State agency, or other employee directing the employee;

(2) does business or seeks to do business (i) with the member or officer or (ii) in the case of an employee, with the employee or with the member, officer, State agency, or other employee directing the employee;

(3) conducts activities regulated (i) by the member or officer or (ii) in the case of an employee, by the employee or by the member, officer, State agency, or other employee directing the employee;

(4) has interests that may be substantially affected by the performance or non-performance of the official duties of the member, officer, or employee; or

(5) is registered or required to be registered with the Secretary of State under the Lobbyist Registration Act, except that an entity not otherwise a prohibited source does not become a prohibited source merely because a lobbyist is one of its members or serves on its board of directors."; and

on page 7, by replacing line 21 with the following:

"(b) The policies required under subsection (a), (i) for each executive branch constitutional office shall be filed with the Executive Ethics Commission and (ii) for the legislative branch shall be filed with the ultimate jurisdictional authority.

(c) The policies required under subsection (a) shall"; and

on page 8, by replacing lines 8 through 11 with the following:

"program conducted by the appropriate State agency. Each ultimate jurisdictional authority must implement an ethics-training program for its officers and employees. These training programs shall be overseen (i) in the executive branch, by the Executive Inspector General and (ii) in the legislative branch, by the ultimate jurisdictional authority. Standards and the hours and frequency of training necessary for each position or category of positions shall be determined (i) in the executive branch, by the Executive Inspector General and (ii) in the legislative branch, by the ultimate jurisdictional authority. A person who fills a vacancy in an"; and

by replacing line 28 on page 9 through line 4 on page 10 with the following:

"(a) No public service announcement or advertisement that is on behalf of any State administered program, is paid for by public dollars, and contains the proper name, image, or voice of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall be broadcast or aired on radio or television or printed in a commercial newspaper or a commercial magazine at any time."; and

on page 11, by replacing line 30 with the following:

"(a) No former official, appointee, member, or State employee, or spouse or immediate family member living with the employee, shall, within a period of one"; and

on page 12, line 1, after "if the", by inserting "official, appointee, member, or State"; and

on page 12, by replacing lines 3 through 6 with the following:

"participated personally and substantially in the subject matter of a transaction between the employer, or its parent or subsidiary, and the State during his or her term of office or employment.

(b) The requirements of this Section may be waived (i) for the executive branch, by the Executive Ethics Commission and (ii) for the legislative branch, by"; and

on page 12, line 9, after "authority", by inserting "or the Executive Ethics Commission"; and

on page 12, after line 15, by inserting the following: "ARTICLE 10

#### GIFT BAN

Section 10-10. Gift ban. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, no member, officer, or employee shall intentionally solicit or accept any gift from any prohibited source or in violation of any federal or State statute, rule, or regulation. This ban applies to and includes the spouse of and immediate family living with the member, officer, or employee. No prohibited source shall intentionally offer or make a gift that violates this Section.

Section 10-15. Gift ban; exceptions. The restriction in Section 10-10 does not apply to the following:

(1) Opportunities, benefits, and services that are available on the same conditions as for the general public.

(2) A contribution that is lawfully made under the Election Code or under this Act or attendance at a fundraising event sponsored by a political organization.

(3) A contribution or other payments to a legal defense fund established for the benefit of a member, officer, or employee that is otherwise lawfully made.

(4) Educational materials and missions, subject to (i) for the executive branch, the rules adopted by the Executive Ethics Commission; (ii) for the legislative branch, the rules adopted by the ultimate jurisdictional authorities; (iii) for the Office of the Auditor General, the rules adopted by the Auditor General.

(5) Travel expenses for a meeting to discuss State business, subject to (i) for the executive branch, the rules adopted by the Executive Ethics Commission; (ii) for the legislative branch, the rules adopted by the ultimate jurisdictional authorities; (iii) for the Office of the Auditor General, the rules adopted by the Auditor General.

(6) A gift from a relative, meaning those people related to the individual as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, great aunt, great uncle, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, grandfather, grandmother, grandson, granddaughter, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, and including the father, mother, grandfather, or grandmother of the individual's spouse and the individual's fiance or fiancée.

(7) Anything provided by an individual on the basis of a personal friendship unless the member, officer, or employee has reason to believe that, under the circumstances, the gift was provided because of the official position or employment of the member, officer, or employee and not because of the personal friendship.

In determining whether a gift is provided on the basis of personal friendship, the member, officer, or employee shall consider the circumstances under which the gift was offered, such as:

(i) the history of the relationship between the individual giving the gift and the recipient of the gift, including any previous exchange of gifts between those individuals;

(ii) whether to the actual knowledge of the member, officer, or employee the individual who gave the gift personally paid for the gift or sought a tax deduction or business reimbursement for the gift; and

(iii) whether to the actual knowledge of the member, officer, or employee the individual who gave the gift also at the same time gave the same or similar gifts to other members, officers, or employees.

(8) Food or refreshments not exceeding \$75 per person in value on a single calendar day; provided that the food or refreshments are (i) consumed on the premises from which they were purchased or prepared or (ii) catered. For the purposes of this Section, "catered means food or refreshments that are purchased ready to eat and delivered by any means.

(9) Intra-governmental or inter-governmental gifts. For the purpose of this Act, "intra-governmental gift" means any gift given to a member, officer, or employee of a State agency from another member, officer, or employee of the same State agency; and "inter-governmental gift" means any gift given to a member, officer, or employee of a State agency, by a member, officer, or employee of another State agency, of a federal agency, or of any governmental agency.

(10) Pension and other benefits resulting from continued participation in an employee welfare and benefits plan maintained by a former employer.

(11) Bequests, inheritances, and other transfers at death.

(12) Unsolicited offer of free attendance at a charity event. To be considered a charity event, the primary purpose of the event must be to raise funds for a non-profit organization exempt from federal income taxation under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(13) Any item or items from any one prohibited source during any calendar year having a cumulative total value of less than \$100.

Each of the exceptions listed in this Section is mutually exclusive and independent of one another.

Section 10-30. Gift ban; disposition of gifts. A member, officer, or employee does not violate this Act if the member, officer, or employee promptly takes reasonable action to return the prohibited gift to its source or gives the gift or an amount equal to its value to an appropriate charity that is exempt from income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now or hereafter amended, renumbered, or succeeded.

Section 10-40. Gift ban; further restrictions. A State agency may adopt or maintain policies that are more restrictive than those set forth in this Article and may continue to follow any existing policies, statutes, or regulations that are more restrictive or are in addition to those set forth in this Article."; and on page 13, line 5, after "member,", by inserting "other State employee,"; and on page 13, line 25, after "demonstrated", by inserting "by clear and convincing evidence"; and on page 14, by replacing lines 7 through 9 with the following:

"(3) interest on the back pay;

(4) the reinstatement of full fringe benefits and seniority rights; and

(5) the payment of reasonable costs and attorneys' fees."; and

on page 14, after line 14, by inserting the following:

"Section 15-40. Posting. All officers, members, and State agencies shall conspicuously display notices of State employee protections under this Act. ARTICLE 20

EXECUTIVE ETHICS COMMISSION AND  
EXECUTIVE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Section 20-5. Executive Ethics Commission.

(a) The Executive Ethics Commission is created.

(b) The Executive Ethics Commission shall consist of 7 commissioners. The executive branch constitutional officers shall appoint the Executive Ethics Commission through a nomination process. The initial Executive Ethics Commission shall be appointed from a pool of nominees created in the following manner: the Governor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer shall each nominate 2 candidates from their own political party and 2 from a differing political party, for a total of 20 candidates. The initial nominations shall be made within 60 days after the effective date of this Act. From this pool, the Governor shall appoint 4 commissioners within 30 days after receiving nominations from the executive branch constitutional officer. From the same pool, the highest ranking executive branch constitutional officer of a differing political party than the Governor shall appoint 3 commissioners within 30 days after receiving nominations from the executive branch constitutional officers. If there is not an executive branch constitutional officer of a differing party than the Governor at the time of appointment, the highest ranking Senate member of a differing party than the Governor shall appoint the 3 commissioners. These 7 commissioners shall be confirmed by the advice and consent of the Senate. No more than 4 commissioners shall be from the same political party.

The terms of the initial commissioners shall commence on July 1, 2003. The following initial appointees, as designated by the Governor, shall serve for 2-year terms running through June 30, 2005: one appointment by the Governor and one appointment by the highest ranking executive branch constitutional officer of a differing political party than the Governor. The following initial appointees, as designated by the Governor, shall serve for 3-year terms running through June 30, 2006: one appointment by the Governor and one appointment by the highest ranking executive branch constitutional officer of a differing political party than the Governor. The following initial appointees, as designated by the Governor, shall serve for 4-year terms running through June 30, 2007: one appointment by the Governor, and one appointment by the highest ranking executive branch constitutional officer of a differing political party than the Governor. The following initial appointee, as designated by the Governor, shall serve for a 5-year term through June 30, 2008: one appointment by the Governor.

After the initial terms, commissioners shall serve for 5-year terms commencing on July 1 of the year of appointment and running through June 30 of the fifth following year. For the appointment of commissioners after the initial terms, the commissioners shall be appointed from a pool of nominees created in the following manner: for the years where 2 commissioner positions are to be appointed, the Governor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer shall each nominate 2 candidates from their own political party and 2 from a differing political party, for a total pool of 20 candidates. The nominees shall be submitted by May 30 of the fifth year of the term that is ending. From this pool, the Governor shall appoint one commissioner and the highest ranking executive branch constitutional officer of a differing party shall appoint one commissioner each for a 5-year term. If there is not an executive branch constitutional officer of a differing party than the Governor at the time of appointment, the highest-ranking Senate member of a differing party than the Governor shall make the appointment. The appointments shall be made within 30 days after receiving the nominations from the executive branch constitutional officers.

For the years where one commissioner position is to be appointed, the Governor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer shall each nominate one candidate from their own political party and one from a differing political party, for a total pool of 8 candidates. The nominees shall be submitted by May 30 of the fifth year of the term that is ending. From this pool, the Governor shall select one commissioner for a 5-year term. The Governor shall make the appointment within 30 days after receiving the nominations from the executive branch constitutional officers.

A vacancy occurring other than at the end of a term shall be filled by the Governor only for the balance of the term of the commissioner whose office is vacant. The Governor shall select the commissioner from the original pool of nominees for that commissioner office. The Governor shall select a new commissioner within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy.

All appointments to the Executive Ethics Commission shall be confirmed by the advice and consent of the Senate. If the Senate is not in session at the time an appointment of a commissioner is made, the appointment shall be temporary until the Senate can act upon the appointment. If the Senate does not act upon the appointment within 60 session days after the receipt thereof, then the appointment shall be deemed to have received the advice and consent of the Senate.

Terms shall run regardless of whether the position is filled.

(c) Only commissioners who have experience holding governmental office or employment and who are from the general public shall be appointed. A person is not eligible to serve as a commissioner if that person (i) has been convicted of a felony or a crime of dishonesty or moral turpitude, (ii) is, or was within the preceding 12 months, engaged in activities that require registration under the Lobbyist Registration Act, or (iii) is a State officer or employee.

(d) The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over all officers and employees of State agencies, other than the General Assembly, the Senate, the House of Representatives, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Senate Operations Commission, the legislative support services agencies, and the Office of the Auditor General. The jurisdiction of the Commission is limited to matters arising under this Act.

(e) The Executive Ethics Commission must meet, either in person or by other technological means, at least monthly and as often as necessary. At the first meeting of the Executive Ethics Commission, the commissioners shall choose from their number a chairperson and other officer that they deem appropriate. The terms of officers shall be for 2 years commencing July 1 and running through June 30 of the second following year. Meetings shall be held at the call of the chairperson or any 3 commissioners. Official action by the Commission shall require the affirmative vote of 5 commissioners, and a quorum shall consist of 5 commissioners. Commissioners shall receive no compensation, but may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties.

(f) No commissioner or employee of the Executive Ethics Commission may during his or her term of appointment or employment:

- (1) become a candidate for any elective office;
- (2) hold any other elected or appointed public office except for appointments on governmental advisory boards or study commissions or as otherwise expressly authorized by law;
- (3) be actively involved in the affairs of any political party or political organization; or
- (4) actively participate in any campaign for any elective office.

(g) An appointing authority may remove a commissioner only for cause.

(h) The Executive Ethics Commission shall appoint an Executive Director. The compensation of the Executive Director shall be as determined by the Commission or by the Compensation Review Board, whichever amount is higher. The Executive Director of the Executive Ethics Commission may employ and determine the compensation of staff, as appropriations permit.

Section 20-10. Office of Executive Inspector General.

(a) The Office of the Executive Inspector General is created. The Office shall be under the direction and supervision of the Executive Inspector General.

(b) The Executive Ethics Commission shall appoint the Executive Inspector General through a nomination process. The Executive Ethics Commission shall nominate 5 candidates for the Executive Inspector General. From this pool of 5 candidates, the Governor shall appoint the Executive Inspector General, without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of integrity and demonstrated ability.

The Executive Inspector General shall have the following qualifications:

- (1) has not been convicted of any felony under the laws of this State, another State, or the United States;
- (2) has earned a baccalaureate degree from an institution of higher education; and
- (3) has either (A) 5 or more years of service with a federal, State, or local law enforcement agency, at least 2 years of which have been in a progressive investigatory capacity; (B) 5 or more years of service as a federal, State, or local prosecutor; or (C) 5 or more years of service as a senior manager or executive of a federal, State, or local agency.

The term of the initial Executive Inspector General shall commence on July 1, 2003 and shall run through June 30, 2008. The Executive Ethics Commission shall submit the initial 5 candidates for the Executive Inspector General to the Governor within 30 days after the appointment of the initial Executive Ethics Commission. The Governor shall appoint the Executive Inspector General within 30 days after receiving the 5 candidates from the Executive Ethics Commission. The appointment of the Executive Inspector General shall be confirmed by the advice and consent of the Senate.

After the initial term, the Executive Inspector General shall serve for 5-year terms commencing on July 1 of the year of appointment and running through June 30 of the fifth following year. The Executive Ethics Commission shall submit 5 candidates for the Executive Inspector General to the Governor by May 30 of the fifth following year of the term. The Governor shall appoint the Executive Inspector General within 30 days after receiving the 5 candidates from the Executive Ethics Commission. The appointment of the

Executive Inspector General shall be confirmed by the advice and consent of the Senate. The Executive Inspector General may be reappointed to one or more subsequent terms.

A vacancy occurring other than at the end of a term shall be filled by the Governor only for the balance of the term of the Executive Inspector General whose office is vacant. The Executive Ethics Commission shall submit 5 candidates for the vacancy of the Executive Inspector General to the Governor within 30 days of the vacancy. The Governor shall fill the vacancy within 30 days after receiving the 5 candidates from the Executive Ethics Commission. The appointment of the Executive Inspector General shall be confirmed by the advice and consent of the Senate.

If the Senate is not in session at the time an Executive Inspector General is appointed by the Governor, the appointment shall be temporary until the Senate can act upon the appointment. If the Senate does not act upon the appointment within 60 session days after the receipt thereof, then the appointment shall be deemed to have received the advice and consent of the Senate.

Terms shall run regardless of whether the position is filled.

(c) The Executive Inspector General shall have jurisdiction over all officers and employees of State agencies, other than the General Assembly, the Senate, the House of Representatives, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Senate Operations Commission, the legislative support services agencies, and the Office of the Auditor General. The jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General is to investigate possible fraud, abuse, misconduct, mismanagement of functions, misfeasance, malfeasance or violations of this Act or other related law, rules and regulations.

(d) The Executive Ethics Commission shall determine the compensation of the Executive Inspector General. The Executive Inspector General has full authority to organize the Office of the Executive Inspector General, including the employment and determination of the compensation of staff, such as deputies, assistants, and other employees, as appropriations permit.

(e) Neither the Executive Inspector General nor an employee of the Office of the Executive Inspector General may, during his or her term of appointment or employment:

- (1) become a candidate for any elective office;
- (2) hold any other elected or appointed public office except for appointments on governmental advisory boards or study commissions or as otherwise expressly authorized by law;
- (3) be actively involved in the affairs of any political party or political organization; or
- (4) actively participate in any campaign for an elective office.

(f) The Executive Ethics Commission may remove the Executive Inspector General only for cause.

Section 20-15. Duties of the Executive Ethics Commission. In addition to duties otherwise assigned by law, the Executive Ethics Commission shall have the following duties:

- (1) To promulgate rules governing the performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers.
- (2) To conduct administrative hearings and rule on matters brought before the Commission only upon the receipt of pleadings filed by the Executive Inspector General and not upon its own prerogative. Any other allegations of misconduct received by the Commission from a person other than an Executive Inspector General shall be referred to the Office of the Executive Inspector General.

(3) To prepare and publish manuals and guides.

(4) To prepare public information materials to facilitate compliance, implementation, and enforcement of this Act.

(5) To submit reports as required by this Act.

(6) To make rulings, issue recommendations, and impose administrative fines, if appropriate, in connection with the implementation and interpretation of this Act. The powers and duties of the Commission are limited to matters clearly within the purview of this Act.

(7) To issue subpoenas with respect to matters pending before the Commission, subject to the provisions of this Article and in the discretion of the Commission, to compel the attendance of witnesses for purposes of testimony and the production of documents and other items for inspection and copying.

Section 20-20. Duties of the Executive Inspector General. In addition to the duties otherwise assigned by law, the Executive Inspector General shall have the following duties:

(1) To promulgate rules governing the performance of its duties and the exercise of its power.

(2) To receive and investigate allegations of violations of this Act. The Executive Inspector General may receive information through the Office of the Executive Inspector General, through the Executive Ethics Commission, or through the Ethics Hotline. An investigation may be conducted only in response to information reported to the Executive Inspector General as provided in this Section and not upon his or her own prerogative. The Executive Inspector General shall have the discretion to determine the appropriate



means of investigation as permitted by law.

(3) To request information relating to an investigation from any person when the Executive Inspector General deems that information necessary in conducting an investigation.

(4) To appoint investigators to conduct investigations and other duties imposed under the provisions of this Article. Such investigators shall have and may exercise all the powers of peace officers.

(5) To issue subpoenas to compel the appearance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, records and documents including electronic data, administer oaths or affirmations and take testimony.

(6) To submit reports as required by this Act.

(7) After finding probable cause, to file pleadings in the name of the Executive Inspector General, represented by the Attorney General, with the Executive Ethics Commission, as provided in this Article.

(8) To assist and coordinate the ethics officers for State agencies under the jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General and to work with those ethics officers.

(9) To oversee and set standards, in consultation with the Attorney General, for the ethics training programs within the State agencies of the Executive Branch.

(10) To participate in or conduct, when appropriate, multi-jurisdictional investigations.

(11) To request, as the Executive Inspector General deems appropriate, from ethics officers of State agencies under his or her jurisdiction, reports or information on (i) the content of a State agency's ethics training programs and (ii) the percentage of new officers and employees who have completed ethics training.

Section 20-23. Ethics Officers. Each officer and the head of each State agency under the jurisdiction of the Executive Ethics Commission shall designate an Ethics Officer for the office or State agency. Ethics Officers shall:

(1) act as liaisons between the State agency and the Executive Inspector General and between the State agency and the Executive Ethics Commission;

(2) review statements of economic interest and disclosure forms of officers, senior employees, and contract monitors before they are filed with the Secretary of State; and

(3) provide guidance to officers and employees in the interpretation and implementation of this Act. Such guidance shall be based, wherever possible, upon the findings and opinions of the Executive Ethics Commission.

Section 20-25. Executive Ethics Hotline. The Executive Inspector General shall create and maintain a toll-free Ethics Hotline for the purpose of receiving reports of allegations relating to conduct subject to the jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General and the Executive Ethics Commission.

Section 20-35. Administrative subpoena; compliance. A person duly subpoenaed for testimony, documents, or other items who neglects or refuses to testify or produce documents or other items under the requirements of the subpoena shall be subject to punishment as may be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, unless (i) the testimony, documents, or other items are covered by the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege or right recognized by law or (ii) the testimony, documents, or other items concern the representation of employees and the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements by a labor organization authorized and recognized under the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act to be the exclusive bargaining representative of employees of the State agency. Nothing in this Section limits a person's right to protection against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution or Article I, Section 10 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

Section 20-40. Collective bargaining agreements. Any investigation or inquiry by the Executive Inspector General or any agent or representative of the Executive Inspector General must be conducted in compliance with the provisions of a collective bargaining agreement that applies to the employees of the relevant State agency and with an awareness of the rights of the employees as set forth by State and federal law and applicable judicial decisions. Any recommendation for discipline or any action taken against any State employee pursuant to this Act must comply with the provision of the collective bargaining agreement that applies to the State employee.

Section 20-45. Standing; representation.

(a) Only the Executive Inspector General may bring actions before the Executive Ethics Commission.

(b) The Attorney General shall represent the Executive Inspector General in all proceedings before the Commission, except that the Attorney General shall appoint special counsel to represent the Executive Inspector General before the Commission if the Attorney General deems it necessary to avoid any actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest.

(c) Any State employee or officer named as a respondent in a complaint is entitled to reimbursement of his or her reasonable attorney's fees and expenses in defending against the complaint if that respondent is

not found by the Commission to have violated this Act.

Section 20-50. Investigation reports; complaint procedure.

(a) If the Executive Inspector General, upon the conclusion of an investigation, determines that probable cause exists to file pleadings with the Executive Ethics Commission, then the Executive Inspector General shall issue a summary report of the investigation. The report shall be delivered to the appropriate ultimate jurisdictional authority and to the head of each State agency affected by or involved in the investigation, if appropriate.

(b) The summary report of the investigation shall include the following:

(1) A description of any allegations or other information received by the Executive Inspector General pertinent to the investigation.

(2) A description of any alleged misconduct discovered in the course of the investigation.

(3) Recommendations for any corrective or disciplinary action to be taken in response to any alleged misconduct described in the report, including but not limited to discharge.

(4) Other information the Executive Inspector General deems relevant to the investigation or resulting recommendations.

(c) Not less than 30 days after delivery of the summary report of an investigation under subsection (a), the Executive Inspector General, represented by the Attorney General, may file with the Executive Ethics Commission a petition for leave to file a complaint. The petition shall set forth the alleged violation and the grounds that exist to support probable cause. The petition of leave to file a complaint must be filed with the Commission within 18 months after an alleged violation of this Act.

(d) A copy of the petition must be served on all respondents named in the complaint and on each respondent's ultimate jurisdictional authority in the same manner as process is served under the Code of Civil Procedure.

(e) A respondent may file objections to the petition for leave to file a complaint within 30 days after notice of the petition has been served on the respondent.

(f) The Commission shall meet, either in person or by telephone, in a closed session to review the sufficiency of the complaint. If the commission finds that complaint is sufficient, the Commission shall grant the petition for leave to file the complaint. The Commission shall issue notice to the Executive Inspector General and all respondents of the Commission's ruling on the sufficiency of the complaint. If the complaint is deemed to sufficiently allege a violation of this Act, then the Commission shall notify the parties and shall include a hearing date scheduled within 4 weeks after the date of the notice, unless all of the parties consent to a later date. If the complaint is deemed not to sufficiently allege a violation, then the Commission shall send by certified mail, return receipt requested, a notice to the parties of the decision to dismiss the complaint.

(g) On the scheduled date the Commission shall conduct a hearing either in person or, if the parties consent, by other technological means, on the complaint and allow all parties the opportunity to present testimony and evidence. All such proceedings shall be transcribed.

(h) Within an appropriate time limit set by rules of the Executive Ethics Commission, the Commission shall (i) dismiss the complaint or (ii) issue a recommendation of discipline to the respondent and the respondent's ultimate jurisdictional authority or impose an administrative fine upon the respondent, or both.

(i) The proceedings on any complaint filed with the Commission shall be conducted pursuant to rules promulgated by the Commission.

(j) The Commission may designate hearing officers to conduct proceedings as determined by rule of the Commission.

(k) In all proceedings before the Commission, the standard of proof is by a preponderance of the evidence.

Section 20-55. Decisions; recommendations.

(a) All decisions of the Executive Ethics Commission must include a description of the alleged misconduct, the decision of the Commission, including any fines levied and any recommendation of discipline, and the reasoning for that decision. All decisions of the Commission shall be delivered to the head of the appropriate State agency, the appropriate ultimate jurisdictional authority, and the Executive Inspector General. The Executive Ethics Commission shall promulgate rules of the decision and recommendation process.

(b) If the Executive Ethics Commission issues a recommendation of discipline to an agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority, that agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority must respond to that recommendation in 30 days with a written response to the Executive Ethics Commission. This response must include any disciplinary action the agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority has taken with

respect to the officer or employee in question. If the agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority did not take any disciplinary action, or took a different disciplinary action than that recommended by the Executive Ethics Commission, the agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority must describe the different action and explain the reasons for the different action in the written response. This response must be served upon the Executive Ethics Commission and the Executive Inspector General within the 30-day period and is not exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Section 20-60. Appeals. A decision of the Executive Ethics Commission to impose a fine is subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law. All other decisions by the Executive Ethics Commission are final and are not subject to review either administratively or judicially.

Section 20-65. Investigations not concluded within 6 months. If any investigation is not concluded within 6 months after its initiation, the Executive Inspector General shall notify the Executive Ethics Commission of the general nature of the allegation or information giving rise to the investigation and the reasons for failure to complete the investigation within 6 months.

Section 20-70. Cooperation in investigations. It is the duty of every officer and employee under the jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General, including any inspector general serving in any State agency under the jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General, to cooperate with the Executive Inspector General in any investigation undertaken pursuant to this Act. Failure to cooperate with an investigation of the Executive Inspector General is grounds for disciplinary action, including dismissal, unless the failure is based on (i) the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege or right recognized by law or (ii) a collective bargaining agreement with a labor organization authorized and recognized under the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act to be the exclusive bargaining representative of affected employees.

Nothing in this Section limits a person's right to protection against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment of the United State Constitution or Article I, Section 10 of the Constitution of Illinois.

Section 20-80. Referrals of investigations. If the Executive Inspector General determines that any alleged misconduct involves any person not subject to the jurisdiction of the Executive Ethics Commission, the Executive Inspector General shall refer the reported allegations to the appropriate Inspector General, appropriate ethics commission, or other appropriate body. If the Executive Inspector General determined that any alleged misconduct may give rise to criminal penalties, the Executive Inspector General shall refer the allegations regarding that misconduct to the appropriate law enforcement authority.

Section 20-85. Annual reports. The Executive Inspector General shall submit an annual report to the executive branch constitutional officers and the Executive Ethics Commission, on a date determined by the Executive Ethics Commission, indicating:

- (1) the number of allegations received since the date of the last report;
- (2) the number of investigations initiated since the date of the last report;
- (3) the number of investigations concluded since the date of the last report;
- (4) the number of investigations pending as of the reporting date; and
- (5) the number of actions filed since the last report and the number of actions pending before the Commission as of the reporting date.

Section 20-90. Confidentiality.

(a) The identity of any individual providing information or reporting any possible or alleged misconduct to the Executive Inspector General, the Executive Ethics Commission, or the Executive Ethics Hotline shall be kept confidential, is exempt from the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, and may not be disclosed without the consent of that individual, unless the individual consents to disclosure of his or her name or disclosure of the individual's identity is otherwise required by law. The confidentiality granted by this subsection does not preclude the disclosure of the identity of a person in any capacity other than as the source of an allegation.

(b) Commissioners, employees, and agents of the Executive Ethics Commission, the Executive Inspector General, and employees and agents of the Office of the Executive Inspector General shall keep confidential and shall not disclose information exempted from disclosure under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act or by this Act.

(c) A violation of subsection (a) or (b) of this Section is grounds for discharge.

Section 20-95. Exemptions.

(a) Any allegations and related documents submitted to the Executive Inspector General and any pleadings and related documents brought before the Executive Ethics Commission are exempt from the provisions of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act so long as the Executive Ethics Commission does not make a finding of a violation of this Act. If the Executive Ethics Commission finds that a violation has occurred, the entire record of proceedings before the Commission, the decision and recommendation, and

the mandatory report from the agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority to the Executive Ethics Commission are not exempt from the provisions of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act but information contained therein that is otherwise exempt from the Illinois Freedom of Information Act must be redacted before disclosure as provided in Section 8 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

(b) Meetings of the Executive Ethics Commission under Sections 20-5 and 20-15 of this Act are exempt from the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

(c) Unless otherwise provided in this Act, all investigatory files and reports of the Office of the Executive Inspector General, other than annual reports, are confidential, are exempt from disclosure under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, and shall not be divulged to any person or agency, except as necessary (i) to the appropriate law enforcement authority if the matter is referred pursuant to this Act, (ii) to the ultimate jurisdictional authority, or (iii) to the Executive Ethics Commission. ARTICLE 30

#### OTHER INSPECTORS GENERAL WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Section 30-5. Appointment of Inspectors General. Nothing in this Act precludes the appointment by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, or the Treasurer of any inspector general required or permitted by law. Each inspector general appointed by an executive branch constitutional officer for that constitutional office shall report to that constitutional officer as well as the Executive Inspector General.

Section 30-10. Subpoena power. Each inspector general appointed by an executive branch constitutional officer for that constitutional office shall have the power to issue subpoenas to compel the appearance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, records, and documents including electronic data, administer oaths or affirmations and take testimony."; and  
on page 14, by replacing line 24 with the following:

"(c) A person who intentionally violates any provision of Article 10 is guilty of a business offense and subject to a fine of at least \$1,001 and up to \$5,000.

(d) Any person who intentionally makes a false report alleging a violation of any provision of this Act to an ethics commission, the Executive Inspector General, an inspector general, the State Police, a State's Attorney, the Attorney General, or any other law enforcement official is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

(e) The Executive Ethics Commission may levy an administrative fine of up to \$5,000 against any person who violates this Act, who intentionally obstructs or interferes with an investigation conducted under this Act by the Executive Inspector General or an inspector general, or who intentionally makes a false or frivolous allegation of a violation of this Act.

(f) In addition to any other penalty that may apply,"; and  
on page 14 , line 27, after "5-40 or", by inserting "Article 10 or"; and  
on page 15, by replacing lines 6 and 7 with the following:

"than Section 5-15 and Article 10 of this Act, (i) the political activities of officers and employees of the governmental entity and (ii) the soliciting and accepting of gifts by and the offering and making of gifts to officers and employees of the governmental entity."; and

on page 15, line 23, after "employees", by inserting "and the soliciting, offering, accepting, and making of gifts"; and

on page 15, after line 26, by inserting the following:

"Section 90-1.

The Open Meetings Act is amended by changing Section 1.02 as follows:

(5 ILCS 120/1.02) (from Ch. 102, par. 41.02)

Sec. 1.02. For the purposes of this Act: "Meeting" means any gathering of a majority of a quorum of the members of a public body held for the purpose of discussing public business.

"Public body" includes all legislative, executive, administrative or advisory bodies of the State, counties, townships, cities, villages, incorporated towns, school districts and all other municipal corporations, boards, bureaus, committees or commissions of this State, and any subsidiary bodies of any of the foregoing including but not limited to committees and subcommittees which are supported in whole or in part by tax revenue, or which expend tax revenue, except the General Assembly and committees or commissions thereof. "Public body" includes tourism boards and convention or civic center boards located in counties that are contiguous to the Mississippi River with populations of more than 250,000 but less than 300,000. "Public body" includes the Health Facilities Planning Board. "Public body" does not include a child death review team or the Illinois Child Death Review Teams Executive Council established under the Child Death Review Team Act or an ethics commission, ethics officer, or ultimate jurisdictional authority acting under the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act State Gift Ban Act as provided by Section 80 of that Act. (Source: P.A. 91-782, eff. 6-9-00; 92-468, eff. 8-22-01.); and

on page 16, by replacing line 9 with the following:

"administrative law judge, other agency employee, or an employee of the Joint Committee during the"; and

on page 16, by replacing line 27 with the following:

"head, agency employee, administrative law judge, or an employee of the Joint Committee shall be"; and

on page 16, after line 34, by inserting the following:

"Section 90-5.

The Illinois Public Labor Relations Act is amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

(5 ILCS 315/3) (from Ch. 48, par. 1603)

Sec. 3. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Board" means the Illinois Labor Relations Board or, with respect to a matter over which the jurisdiction of the Board is assigned to the State Panel or the Local Panel under Section 5, the panel having jurisdiction over the matter.

(b) "Collective bargaining" means bargaining over terms and conditions of employment, including hours, wages, and other conditions of employment, as detailed in Section 7 and which are not excluded by Section 4.

(c) "Confidential employee" means an employee who, in the regular course of his or her duties, assists and acts in a confidential capacity to persons who formulate, determine, and effectuate management policies with regard to labor relations or who, in the regular course of his or her duties, has authorized access to information relating to the effectuation or review of the employer's collective bargaining policies.

(d) "Craft employees" means skilled journeymen, crafts persons, and their apprentices and helpers.

(e) "Essential services employees" means those public employees performing functions so essential that the interruption or termination of the function will constitute a clear and present danger to the health and safety of the persons in the affected community.

(f) "Exclusive representative", except with respect to non-State fire fighters and paramedics employed by fire departments and fire protection districts, non-State peace officers, and peace officers in the Department of State Police, means the labor organization that has been (i) designated by the Board as the representative of a majority of public employees in an appropriate bargaining unit in accordance with the procedures contained in this Act, (ii) historically recognized by the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State before July 1, 1984 (the effective date of this Act) as the exclusive representative of the employees in an appropriate bargaining unit, (iii) after July 1, 1984 (the effective date of this Act) recognized by an employer upon evidence, acceptable to the Board, that the labor organization has been designated as the exclusive representative by a majority of the employees in an appropriate bargaining unit; or (iv) recognized as the exclusive representative of personal care attendants or personal assistants under Executive Order 2003-8 prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, and the organization shall be considered to be the exclusive representative of the personal care attendants or personal assistants as defined in this Section.

With respect to non-State fire fighters and paramedics employed by fire departments and fire protection districts, non-State peace officers, and peace officers in the Department of State Police, "exclusive representative" means the labor organization that has been (i) designated by the Board as the representative of a majority of peace officers or fire fighters in an appropriate bargaining unit in accordance with the procedures contained in this Act, (ii) historically recognized by the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State before January 1, 1986 (the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1985) as the exclusive representative by a majority of the peace officers or fire fighters in an appropriate bargaining unit, or (iii) after January 1, 1986 (the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1985) recognized by an employer upon evidence, acceptable to the Board, that the labor organization has been designated as the exclusive representative by a majority of the peace officers or fire fighters in an appropriate bargaining unit.

(g) "Fair share agreement" means an agreement between the employer and an employee organization under which all or any of the employees in a collective bargaining unit are required to pay their proportionate share of the costs of the collective bargaining process, contract administration, and pursuing matters affecting wages, hours, and other conditions of employment, but not to exceed the amount of dues uniformly required of members. The amount certified by the exclusive representative shall not include any fees for contributions related to the election or support of any candidate for political office. Nothing in this subsection (g) shall preclude an employee from making voluntary political contributions in conjunction with his or her fair share payment.

(g-1) "Fire fighter" means, for the purposes of this Act only, any person who has been or is hereafter appointed to a fire department or fire protection district or employed by a state university and sworn or

commissioned to perform fire fighter duties or paramedic duties, except that the following persons are not included: part-time fire fighters, auxiliary, reserve or voluntary fire fighters, including paid on-call fire fighters, clerks and dispatchers or other civilian employees of a fire department or fire protection district who are not routinely expected to perform fire fighter duties, or elected officials.

(g-2) "General Assembly of the State of Illinois" means the legislative branch of the government of the State of Illinois, as provided for under Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and includes but is not limited to the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services and any legislative support services agency listed in the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984.

(h) "Governing body" means, in the case of the State, the State Panel of the Illinois Labor Relations Board, the Director of the Department of Central Management Services, and the Director of the Department of Labor; the county board in the case of a county; the corporate authorities in the case of a municipality; and the appropriate body authorized to provide for expenditures of its funds in the case of any other unit of government.

(i) "Labor organization" means any organization in which public employees participate and that exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with a public employer concerning wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, including the settlement of grievances.

(j) "Managerial employee" means an individual who is engaged predominantly in executive and management functions and is charged with the responsibility of directing the effectuation of management policies and practices.

(k) "Peace officer" means, for the purposes of this Act only, any persons who have been or are hereafter appointed to a police force, department, or agency and sworn or commissioned to perform police duties, except that the following persons are not included: part-time police officers, special police officers, auxiliary police as defined by Section 3.1-30-20 of the Illinois Municipal Code, night watchmen, "merchant police", court security officers as defined by Section 3-6012.1 of the Counties Code, temporary employees, traffic guards or wardens, civilian parking meter and parking facilities personnel or other individuals specially appointed to aid or direct traffic at or near schools or public functions or to aid in civil defense or disaster, parking enforcement employees who are not commissioned as peace officers and who are not armed and who are not routinely expected to effect arrests, parking lot attendants, clerks and dispatchers or other civilian employees of a police department who are not routinely expected to effect arrests, or elected officials.

(l) "Person" includes one or more individuals, labor organizations, public employees, associations, corporations, legal representatives, trustees, trustees in bankruptcy, receivers, or the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State or governing body, but does not include the General Assembly of the State of Illinois or any individual employed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois.

(m) "Professional employee" means any employee engaged in work predominantly intellectual and varied in character rather than routine mental, manual, mechanical or physical work; involving the consistent exercise of discretion and adjustment in its performance; of such a character that the output produced or the result accomplished cannot be standardized in relation to a given period of time; and requiring advanced knowledge in a field of science or learning customarily acquired by a prolonged course of specialized intellectual instruction and study in an institution of higher learning or a hospital, as distinguished from a general academic education or from apprenticeship or from training in the performance of routine mental, manual, or physical processes; or any employee who has completed the courses of specialized intellectual instruction and study prescribed in this subsection (m) and is performing related work under the supervision of a professional person to qualify to become a professional employee as defined in this subsection (m).

(n) "Public employee" or "employee", for the purposes of this Act, means any individual employed by a public employer, including interns and residents at public hospitals and, as of the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, but not before, personal care attendants and personal assistants working under the Home Services Program under Section 3 of the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act, subject to the limitations set forth in this Act and in the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act, but excluding all of the following: employees of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois; elected officials; executive heads of a department; members of boards or commissions; the Executive Inspector General; employees of the Office of the Executive Inspector General; commissioners and employees of the Executive Ethics Commission; employees of any agency, board or commission created by this Act; employees appointed to State positions of a temporary or emergency nature; all employees of school

districts and higher education institutions except firefighters and peace officers employed by a state university; managerial employees; short-term employees; confidential employees; independent contractors; and supervisors except as provided in this Act.

Personal care attendants and personal assistants shall not be considered public employees for any purposes not specifically provided for in this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, including but not limited to, purposes of vicarious liability in tort and purposes of statutory retirement or health insurance benefits. Personal care attendants and personal assistants shall not be covered by the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 (5 ILCS 375/).

Notwithstanding Section 9, subsection (c), or any other provisions of this Act, all peace officers above the rank of captain in municipalities with more than 1,000,000 inhabitants shall be excluded from this Act.

(o) "Public employer" or "employer" means the State of Illinois; any political subdivision of the State, unit of local government or school district; authorities including departments, divisions, bureaus, boards, commissions, or other agencies of the foregoing entities; and any person acting within the scope of his or her authority, express or implied, on behalf of those entities in dealing with its employees. As of the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, but not before, the State of Illinois shall be considered the employer of the personal care attendants and personal assistants working under the Home Services Program under Section 3 of the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act, subject to the limitations set forth in this Act and in the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act. The State shall not be considered to be the employer of personal care attendants and personal assistants for any purposes not specifically provided for in this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, including but not limited to, purposes of vicarious liability in tort and purposes of statutory retirement or health insurance benefits. Personal care attendants and personal assistants shall not be covered by the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 (5 ILCS 375/). "Public employer" or "employer" as used in this Act, however, does not mean and shall not include the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the Executive Ethics Commission, the Office of the Executive Inspector General, and educational employers or employers as defined in the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act, except with respect to a state university in its employment of firefighters and peace officers. County boards and county sheriffs shall be designated as joint or co-employers of county peace officers appointed under the authority of a county sheriff. Nothing in this subsection (o) shall be construed to prevent the State Panel or the Local Panel from determining that employers are joint or co-employers.

(p) "Security employee" means an employee who is responsible for the supervision and control of inmates at correctional facilities. The term also includes other non-security employees in bargaining units having the majority of employees being responsible for the supervision and control of inmates at correctional facilities.

(q) "Short-term employee" means an employee who is employed for less than 2 consecutive calendar quarters during a calendar year and who does not have a reasonable assurance that he or she will be rehired by the same employer for the same service in a subsequent calendar year.

(r) "Supervisor" is an employee whose principal work is substantially different from that of his or her subordinates and who has authority, in the interest of the employer, to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, direct, reward, or discipline employees, to adjust their grievances, or to effectively recommend any of those actions, if the exercise of that authority is not of a merely routine or clerical nature, but requires the consistent use of independent judgment. Except with respect to police employment, the term "supervisor" includes only those individuals who devote a preponderance of their employment time to exercising that authority, State supervisors notwithstanding. In addition, in determining supervisory status in police employment, rank shall not be determinative. The Board shall consider, as evidence of bargaining unit inclusion or exclusion, the common law enforcement policies and relationships between police officer ranks and certification under applicable civil service law, ordinances, personnel codes, or Division 2.1 of Article 10 of the Illinois Municipal Code, but these factors shall not be the sole or predominant factors considered by the Board in determining police supervisory status.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, in determining supervisory status in fire fighter employment, no fire fighter shall be excluded as a supervisor who has established representation rights under Section 9 of this Act. Further, in new fire fighter units, employees shall consist of fire fighters of the rank of company officer and below. If a company officer otherwise qualifies as a supervisor under the preceding paragraph, however, he or she shall not be included in the fire fighter unit. If there is no rank between that of chief and the highest company officer, the employer may designate a position on each shift as a Shift Commander, and the persons occupying those positions shall be supervisors. All other ranks above that of company officer shall be supervisors.

(s) (1) "Unit" means a class of jobs or positions that are held by employees whose collective interests may suitably be represented by a labor organization for collective bargaining. Except with respect to non-State fire fighters and paramedics employed by fire departments and fire protection districts, non-State peace officers, and peace officers in the Department of State Police, a bargaining unit determined by the Board shall not include both employees and supervisors, or supervisors only, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection (s) and except for bargaining units in existence on July 1, 1984 (the effective date of this Act). With respect to non-State fire fighters and paramedics employed by fire departments and fire protection districts, non-State peace officers, and peace officers in the Department of State Police, a bargaining unit determined by the Board shall not include both supervisors and nonsupervisors, or supervisors only, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection (s) and except for bargaining units in existence on January 1, 1986 (the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1985). A bargaining unit determined by the Board to contain peace officers shall contain no employees other than peace officers unless otherwise agreed to by the employer and the labor organization or labor organizations involved. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a bargaining unit, including a historical bargaining unit, containing sworn peace officers of the Department of Natural Resources (formerly designated the Department of Conservation) shall contain no employees other than such sworn peace officers upon the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1990 or upon the expiration date of any collective bargaining agreement in effect upon the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1990 covering both such sworn peace officers and other employees.

(2) Notwithstanding the exclusion of supervisors from bargaining units as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection (s), a public employer may agree to permit its supervisory employees to form bargaining units and may bargain with those units. This Act shall apply if the public employer chooses to bargain under this subsection.

(Source: P.A. 93-204, eff. 7-16-03.); and on page 20, after line 1, by inserting the following:

"(5 ILCS 425/Act rep.)

Sec. 90-8. The State Gift Ban Act is repealed upon the effective date of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act."; and

on page 36, by replacing line 4 with the following:

"Sections 4c and 8b.6 as follows:

(20 ILCS 415/4c) (from Ch. 127, par. 63b104c)

Sec. 4c. General exemptions. The following positions in State service shall be exempt from jurisdictions A, B, and C, unless the jurisdictions shall be extended as provided in this Act:

- (1) All officers elected by the people.
- (2) All positions under the Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, State Board of Education, Clerk of the Supreme Court, and Attorney General.
- (3) Judges, and officers and employees of the courts, and notaries public.
- (4) All officers and employees of the Illinois General Assembly, all employees of legislative commissions, all officers and employees of the Illinois Legislative Reference Bureau, the Legislative Research Unit, and the Legislative Printing Unit.
- (5) All positions in the Illinois National Guard and Illinois State Guard, paid from federal funds or positions in the State Military Service filled by enlistment and paid from State funds.
- (6) All employees of the Governor at the executive mansion and on his immediate personal staff.
- (7) Directors of Departments, the Adjutant General, the Assistant Adjutant General, the Director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, members of boards and commissions, and all other positions appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the Senate.
- (8) The presidents, other principal administrative officers, and teaching, research and extension faculties of Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois University, Northern Illinois University, Western Illinois University, the Illinois Community College Board, Southern Illinois University, Illinois Board of Higher Education, University of Illinois, State Universities Civil Service System, University Retirement System of Illinois, and the administrative officers and scientific and technical staff of the Illinois State Museum.
- (9) All other employees except the presidents, other principal administrative officers, and teaching, research and extension faculties of the universities under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents and the colleges and universities under the jurisdiction of the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities, Illinois Community College Board, Southern Illinois University, Illinois Board of Higher Education, Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities, the Board of Regents, University of Illinois, State Universities Civil Service System, University Retirement System of Illinois, so long as



these are subject to the provisions of the State Universities Civil Service Act.

(10) The State Police so long as they are subject to the merit provisions of the State Police Act.

(11) The scientific staff of the State Scientific Surveys and the Waste Management and Research Center.

(12) The technical and engineering staffs of the Department of Transportation, the Department of Nuclear Safety, the Pollution Control Board, and the Illinois Commerce Commission, and the technical and engineering staff providing architectural and engineering services in the Department of Central Management Services.

(13) All employees of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

(14) The Secretary of the Industrial Commission.

(15) All persons who are appointed or employed by the Director of Insurance under authority of Section 202 of the Illinois Insurance Code to assist the Director of Insurance in discharging his responsibilities relating to the rehabilitation, liquidation, conservation, and dissolution of companies that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Insurance Code.

(16) All employees of the St. Louis Metropolitan Area Airport Authority.

(17) All investment officers employed by the Illinois State Board of Investment.

(18) Employees of the Illinois Young Adult Conservation Corps program, administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, authorized grantee under Title VIII of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, 29 USC 993.

(19) Seasonal employees of the Department of Agriculture for the operation of the Illinois State Fair and the DuQuoin State Fair, no one person receiving more than 29 days of such employment in any calendar year.

(20) All "temporary" employees hired under the Department of Natural Resources' Illinois Conservation Service, a youth employment program that hires young people to work in State parks for a period of one year or less.

(21) All hearing officers of the Human Rights Commission.

(22) All employees of the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy.

(23) All employees of the Kankakee River Valley Area Airport Authority.

(24) The commissioners and employees of the Executive Ethics Commission.

(25) The Executive Inspector General and employees of the Office of the Executive Inspector General.

(Source: P.A. 90-490, eff. 8-17-97; 91-214, eff. 1-1-00; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.); and on page 45, line 9, by deleting "and"; and

on page 45, line 14, by changing "action." to "action:"; and

on page 45, after line 14, by inserting the following:

"(3) a registered lobbyist serving on a board, commission, authority, or task force that covers a different subject area than the subject area the registered lobbyist has disclosed in his or her registration as outlined under Section 5(c-6) of this Act; and

(4) a registered lobbyist who has received a waiver from the Executive Ethics Commission to serve on the board, commission, authority, or task force, based upon the Executive Ethics Commission determination that the State's need for the registered lobbyist's expertise outweighs the potential conflict of interest. Pending a decision by the Executive Ethics Commission on the waiver request, the registered lobbyist may serve as an acting member of the board, commission, authority, or task force.

Any registered lobbyist that serves on a board, commission, authority, or task force under one of these exemptions must recuse himself or herself from any board, commission, authority, or task force decision that may affect one of his or her clients."; and

on page 47, line 14, by replacing "\$100" with "\$500"; and

on page 47, line 19, after "purposes.", by inserting the following:

"The registration fee for a person required to register under this Act is \$150 if the person satisfies either of the following:

(1) The person is a non-profit organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(2) The person (i) is an employee of a person described in subsection (1) and (ii) undertakes to influence executive, legislative, or administrative action on behalf of the person in subsection (1) as part of salaried responsibilities."; and

on page 47, line 22, by replacing "\$100" with "\$500".

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

Representative Lang submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 88 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 88  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 88 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 88  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 88 on page 5, by replacing lines 27 through 29 with the following:  
"based non-for-profit agency is unqualified to accept such assignment. Where the clientele of any"; and  
by replacing lines 31 through 34 on page 5 and line 1 on page 6 with the following:  
"under this amendatory Act of 1977 by more than 3% over the prior year, the Department shall fully reimburse such agency for the costs of providing services to such persons in excess of such 3% increase. The Department shall keep written records"; and  
on page 24, line 12, by deleting "safety precautions and"; and  
on page 24, line 13, by deleting "lap belts".  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Brosnahan submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 684 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 684  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 684 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 684  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 684 on page 1, line 24, by deleting "or autism,"; and  
on page 1, line 30, after the period, by inserting "For purposes of this Section, autism is considered a related condition."; and  
on page 2, line 11, after "(DSM-IV)", by inserting ", or its successor,"; and  
on page 2, line 13, after "(ICD-9-CM)", by inserting ", or its successor,"; and  
on page 3, line 5, by replacing "3 or more" with "any"; and  
on page 4, line 7, after "with", by inserting "developmental"; and  
on page 4, line 13, after "with", by inserting "developmental"; and  
on page 5, line 15, by replacing "shall" with {may}; and  
on page 7, below line 28, by inserting the following: {{(10) Mental health supports. Individuals with a disability must be provided needed mental health supports such as psychological rehabilitation, psychiatric and medication coverage, day treatment, care management, and crisis services.}; and  
on page 7, line 29, by replacing "(10)" with {(11)}; and  
on page 8, line 10, by replacing "(10)" with "(11)".  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative McGuire submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 816 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 816  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 816 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 816  
IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 816 as follows:

on page 1, line 22, by replacing "1988" with "1998"; and

on page 1, by replacing line 29 with the following:

"by December 31, 2004 based on the previous State program year of July 1 through June 30, and is due annually thereafter. "Individuals with disabilities" are defined as those who self-report as being qualified as disabled under the 1973 Rehabilitation Act or the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act, for the purposes of this Law."

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Madigan submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2700, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)
255	17-20

**MOTION #2**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2700, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)
236	18

**MOTION #3**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2700, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)
236	28

**MOTION #4**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2700, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)
235	28

**MOTION #5**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2700, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)

Representative Madigan submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION #1**

I move to restore the following Reduced Item of appropriation in HOUSE BILL 2663, the reduction of the Governor notwithstanding.

Page(s)	Line(s)
15	27-29

**MOTIONS  
SUBMITTED**

Representative Madigan submitted the following written motion, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

**MOTION #1**

I move to concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 577.

Representative Eileen Lyons submitted the following written motion, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

**MOTION #2**

I move to concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 577.

**FISCAL NOTES SUPPLIED**

Fiscal Notes have been supplied for HOUSE BILLS 3824, 3827 and 3828.

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules:

- HOUSE BILL 3857. Introduced by Representative McKeon, AN ACT in relation to transplants.
- HOUSE BILL 3858. Introduced by Representative Grunloh, AN ACT concerning the display of historical documents.
- HOUSE BILL 3859. Introduced by Representatives Black - Poe, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 3860. Introduced by Representative O'Brien, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 3861. Introduced by Representative Eddy, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 3862. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 3863. Introduced by Representatives Saviano - Stephens - Cross, AN ACT concerning the State Police.
- HOUSE BILL 3864. Introduced by Representative Watson, AN ACT concerning finances.
- HOUSE BILL 3865. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT in relation to gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 3866. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning public libraries.
- HOUSE BILL 3867. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 3868. Introduced by Representative Lyons, Eileen, AN ACT concerning tuberculosis sanitariums.
- HOUSE BILL 3869. Introduced by Representative Mitchell, Bill, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 3870. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning reports to the General Assembly.

- HOUSE BILL 3871. Introduced by Representative Madigan, AN ACT regarding schools.
- HOUSE BILL 3872. Introduced by Representatives Kosel - Winters – Watson, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 3873. Introduced by Representative Eddy, AN ACT concerning school construction.
- HOUSE BILL 3874. Introduced by Representative Rose, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 3875. Introduced by Representative O'Brien, AN ACT concerning park districts.
- HOUSE BILL 3876. Introduced by Representatives Poe - Brauer, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 3877. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT regarding higher education.
- HOUSE BILL 3878. Introduced by Representative Kurtz, AN ACT concerning fire protection.
- HOUSE BILL 3879. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning public health.
- HOUSE BILL 3880. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 3881. Introduced by Representative Schmitz, AN ACT concerning taxation.
- HOUSE BILL 3882. Introduced by Representative O'Brien, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 3883. Introduced by Representatives Jones - Mautino - Saviano, AN ACT concerning accounting.
- HOUSE BILL 3884. Introduced by Representatives Jones - Mautino - Saviano, AN ACT concerning accounting
- HOUSE BILL 3885. Introduced by Representatives Fritchey - Osterman - Joyce - Colvin - Lang, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 3886. Introduced by Representative Brauer, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 3887. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 3888. Introduced by Representative Molaro, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 3889. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning counties.
- HOUSE BILL 3890. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.

## RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

### HOUSE RESOLUTION 435

Offered by Representative Bill Mitchell:

WHEREAS, Riverboats, steamers, and paddlewheels were a common mode of transportation along the Rivers of America; the Illinois River has served as an essential by-way in that transportation network and has seen its share of passenger river traffic and, unfortunately, its share of disasters and accidents; and

WHEREAS, Riverboat excursions had become a common and popular form of entertainment along the Illinois River as America raced to the end of World War I in 1918; as trains and cars were slowly replacing these boats as a mode of transportation, the excursions remained quite popular as a way to spend a summer evening and be entertained; and

WHEREAS, Licensed and trained pilots navigated rivers across the U.S. with inspected and well maintained boats; boats such as the East St. Louis, the Julia Belle Swain, the Columbia, and the Idlewild were active on the Illinois River; the Columbia, it was said, "was a veteran of the trade; she had been on the Mississippi for a few seasons before being transferred to central Illinois around 1911"; and

WHEREAS, The Columbia had been rebuilt at the Howard Ship Company in Mound City for the third time in her career before the start of the 1918 season; federal inspectors pronounced her "the safest boat on western waters"; and

WHEREAS, The South Side Athletic Club (of Pekin) sponsored the Steamer Columbia for an excursion on the evening of July 5, 1918; the ship left Kingston Mines with some passengers and proceeded north to Pekin, where the majority of the nearly 500 passengers boarded to travel to Al Fresco Park in Peoria; and

WHEREAS, The Steamer Columbia, known as the "safest boat on western waters", instead became the worst disaster in the history of the Illinois River; on its return that night, the ship struck the Peoria side of the river and swung back towards the Pekin side only to sink in about 25 feet of water; and

WHEREAS, This tragedy precipitated the end of river passenger transportation on the Illinois River when 87 lives were lost including Eugene Bailey, Louise Berends, James Blackburn, Letha Black, Hazel Bowlby, Mayme Bohlander, Harry Brown, Jennie Brown, Mrs. John Brown, Ricka Brown, Wm. Capoot, Mrs. Wm. Capoot, Mrs. Frank Callahan, Jerry Cloles, Mrs. John Diepenbrook, Norman Diepenbrook, Melvin Diepenbrook, Miss Jennie Evans, Vera Flowers, Lizzie Franklin, Maurice Feinburg, Mrs. Wm. Freeland, Gordon Gay, George Gillott, Mrs. George Gillott, Albert Grewey, Francis Grewey, Mrs. John Grewey, Theresa Gunion, Thomas Hancock, Jr., Mrs. J.C. Harboldt, Grace Harboldt, Mildred Harboldt, Mabel Harboldt, Mrs. George Haschert, Clarence Hill, Mrs. Frank Hill, Mayme Holden, Ruth Hoskin, Mrs. Alvin Jacobs, Hattie Johnson, Hazel Jones, Mrs. James Kinney, Joe Kumpf, Mrs. A.B. Loomis, Ada Lowry, Mrs. Mary Luther, Baby Luther, Mrs. T.J. McPherson, Mrs. Phil Maser, Mrs. John Mogga, Mrs. Cora Moldenhauer, Elizabeth Moldenhauer, Stella Murphy, Henry Neaver, Louise Neaver, Doren Neaver, Mrs. Sam Neaver, Miss Ellen Nelson, Mrs. Al O'Hern, Charles Race, Rudolph Rachel, Mrs. John Reuling, Jr., Ada Rumsey, Miss Addie Sapp, Mrs. Martha Sapp, Kenneth Saunders, George Schuster, Mrs. Kate Scott, Bessie Shemel, Orville Shryock, Chris Sickles, Mabel Stout, Mrs. Harry Thurman, Clyde Thurman, Ruby Thurman, Edwin Voll, Dorothy White, Dorothy Whitmore, Theresa Wingenbach, Mrs. Clyde Witcher, Richard Witcher, Donald Witcher, Nellie Worth, Mrs. Kate Wright, John Wright, and George Stewart; and

WHEREAS, The memories of these victims are kept alive by an annual memorial ceremony held by the Tazewell County Historical Places Society; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois State Historical Society has approved a historical marker sponsored by the Tazewell County Historical Places Society and Walgreens Drugs that will be dedicated on July 5, 2003, the 85th anniversary of this tragic event; and

WHEREAS, There are still 3 survivors of the Steamer Columbia tragedy, including Lucille Adcock of Pekin, Everett Stringer of Bartonville, and Mildred Deere of Joliet; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that to commemorate the 85th anniversary of the Steamer Columbia Disaster we declare that July 5, 2003 be set aside as a solemn day of remembrance for those who perished aboard the Steamer Columbia; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Tazewell County Historical Places Society and to the Pekin Park District.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 463

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to honor citizens that have made outstanding contributions to the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Marie LeBeau was born in New Orleans; she was raised a devout Catholic and studied business at the former Straight College; she visited Chicago at the age of 20 and met Charles Wilkinson on a blind date in Aurora; she moved to Illinois in 1927, where she married Mr. Wilkinson in 1930; they were married for 60 years, until Mr. Wilkinson passed away; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson moved into a modest two-level home on Aurora's North View Street, now bearing Mrs. Wilkinson's name; their home was known simply as "Marie's house", where the poor, the hungry, the displaced, the unemployed, the sick, and the mistreated were welcome; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wilkinson first became an active voice in the community when she took an interest in Hispanic factory workers, pulling them from the boxcars they were living in, with no electricity, water, or even shoes; she worked on behalf of the factory workers and convinced the factory owners to provide year-round work for the employees; she went on to challenge City Hall to provide schools and adequate housing for the many people that had moved to Aurora; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wilkinson publicized the needs of those whom community leaders and media outlets once preferred to ignore; she helped to launch more than 60 charitable organizations, including Feed the Hungry Program, Hesed House Homeless Shelter, Breaking Free Drug Program, the Catholic Social Action Conference, SciTech Youth Science Museum, and the local chapter of the Urban League; she established college funds for underprivileged children and inclusion guidelines for the disabled; and

WHEREAS, In the late 1940s, when Mrs. Wilkinson was refused seating at a local diner because she was African-American, she won her case before the State Appellate Court; through the Human Relations

Commission that she founded in 1964, she is credited with the first Fair Housing Ordinance in Illinois; and WHEREAS, In the 1970s, Mrs. Wilkinson saw the need for child care for the children of single mothers; with a group of other concerned residents, Mrs. Wilkinson raised \$46,000 for a child-care center in Aurora; the Marie Wilkinson Child Development Center thrives today; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wilkinson has been honored for her unselfish contributions to her fellow travelers in Aurora; in October of 2002, Mrs. Wilkinson was presented with the Catholic Church's highest honor for missionary work in America, The Lumen Christi Award, meaning Light of Christ; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor Marie Wilkinson's many contributions to the citizens of Aurora and the State of Illinois by proclaiming Wednesday, September 3, 2003 as Marie Wilkinson Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Marie Wilkinson as an expression of our respect and esteem for the endless work she has done on behalf of others, without regard to self.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 465

Offered by Representative Bill Mitchell:

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) is charged with enhancing Illinois' economic competitiveness by providing technical and financial assistance to businesses, local governments, workers, and families; and

WHEREAS, As the State's lead economic development agency, DCEO works to capitalize on Illinois' strengths as a center of transportation, manufacturing, and technological development; and

WHEREAS, DCEO's website, illinoisbiz.biz, is designed to provide easy, fast access to the information needed by economic developers and businesses; and

WHEREAS, In March 2003, DCEO added LoopNet, a new Statewide Sites and Buildings database to illinoisbiz.biz, providing economic developers and businesses with access to more than 6,000 available Illinois commercial and industrial sites; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly finds that a key to economic development in Illinois is an easily-searchable site selection database; and

WHEREAS, Many out-of-state companies utilize the Internet and state site selection databases to relocate to and/or expand existing commercial facilities in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The House Republican Task Force on Rural Economic Development held more than a dozen hearings throughout downstate Illinois in the summer of 2003; and

WHEREAS, At these hearings, the House Republican Task Force on Rural Economic Development heard numerous complaints from local economic development officials regarding LoopNet, including the problem that many downstate commercial sites are not listed on LoopNet and can only be accessed by calling DCEO officials directly; and

WHEREAS, DCEO's Statewide Sites and Buildings database is not easily-accessible from the illinoisbiz.biz homepage; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Governor and Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to work with the Illinois Development Council and other local economic development officials to redesign the Statewide Sites and Buildings database and illinoisbiz.biz to provide easy access to a site selection database that includes downstate commercial sites; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor, the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and the Board of Directors of the Illinois Development Council.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 474

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, September 17, 2003 marks the 40th Anniversary of former Beatle George Harrison's visit to Benton and Southern Illinois; this is a significant anniversary and until recently, it was long overlooked; and

WHEREAS, The visit occurred just five months before the Beatles' first performance on "The Ed Sullivan Show" and the rise of Beatlemania; at the time of his visit, the Beatles were not known in this country; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison's visit to Southern Illinois occurred as a result of his sister living in Benton; her husband was an engineer with the Freeman Coal Company in West Frankfort, and it was an opportunity for George to get away from the fame and fanfare that the Beatles were already experiencing in England; their song "She Loves You" was the number one song in England the week he arrived in America; and

WHEREAS, What makes George Harrison's trip so significant for Beatle historians is that there were several firsts that occurred just prior to and during his visit to Southern Illinois; and

WHEREAS, During the early summer of 1963, his sister Louise was trying to promote the Beatles in this country by having local radio stations play the English group's songs; the first radio station in the United States to do so was WFRX in West Frankfort, and the first song that deejay, Marcia Schafer Raubach, played was "From Me To You"; when he visited the area, one of the first things he wanted to do was to thank Marcia and visit the station, where she interviewed him; this was the first time any Beatle was interviewed in the United States; and

WHEREAS, George Harrison also played music with a local group, the Four Vests, during his visit at two locations, the Eldorado VFW and the Boccie Ball Club in Benton; and

WHEREAS, Another interesting event that happened during George's visit was his purchase of a new guitar at a Southern Illinois music store; Gabe McCarty took him to the Fenton Music Store in Mt. Vernon, where he bought a Rickenbacher 425 and later used it to play with the Beatles; and

WHEREAS, The home where Louise Harrison lived during her famous brother's visit in 1963 was scheduled to be demolished during the mid-1990s to make way for a parking lot for the local Illinois Department of Mines and Mineral office; however, a group of interested individuals, including Louise, later persuaded the State to spare it; today, the home located at 113 McCann Street, is a bed and breakfast and is owned by Jim and Daryl Chady and Cornelius and Dorothy Schultz; and

WHEREAS, George Harrison passed away on November 29, 2001, after a long bout with cancer; a memorial service was held at the home; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the 40th anniversary of former Beatle George Harrison's visit to Southern Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Louise Harrison, Gabe McCarty, Marcia Schafer Raubach, Jim and Daryl Chady, and Cornelius and Dorothy Schultz as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 478

Offered by Representative Brauer:

WHEREAS, Celiac Disease, also known as Celiac Sprue, is a genetic, autoimmune disease that affects 2.1 million people in the United States and 94,742 in the State of Illinois; Celiac Disease causes damage to the small intestine and interferes with the intestine's function of digestion and absorption of nutrients; and

WHEREAS, One in 700 will carry the diagnosis, and undiagnosed Celiac Disease may be as common as one in 133 persons; and

WHEREAS, Damage occurs when the protein fraction of dietary gluten found in wheat, oats, rye, and barley comes in contact with the lining of the small intestine; and

WHEREAS, Gluten damages the intestines and keeps your body from taking in many of the nutrients from food; this includes vitamins, calcium, protein, carbohydrates, fats, and other important nutrients; and

WHEREAS, Celiac Disease is a genetic disorder, and if one family member has the disease, each first degree family member has a risk of developing Celiac Disease approaching 10%; a person may have this tendency for a while without getting sick, then something like severe stress, physical injury, infection, childbirth, or surgery can "trigger" the disease; and

WHEREAS, Celiac Disease affects both adults and children; among the most common symptoms (in fact the most common symptoms for adults and children is no symptoms at all) for adults are weight loss, chronic diarrhea or constipation, abdominal cramping, intestinal gas, and muscle wasting; for children the symptoms usually include growth failure, projectile vomiting, diarrhea, and a bloated abdomen; and

WHEREAS, Celiac Disease is a life-long disease that fortunately can be controlled by following a 100%



gluten-free diet; by following this diet, you can reverse the damage caused by the disease and feel better; and

WHEREAS, New blood tests can help your doctor diagnose this disease, including the tissue transglutaminase test and the anti-endomysial antibody test; those who test positive require an endoscopic biopsy to establish the diagnosis; if you have dermatitis herpetiformis (an itchy, blistering skin problem), a simple skin biopsy can diagnose the disease; and

WHEREAS, Celiac Disease Awareness Month strives to increase public awareness of the symptoms and causes of the disease, as well as to educate physicians caring for those with undiagnosed celiac disease; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare the month of October 2003, and every October thereafter, as Celiac Disease Awareness Month in the State of Illinois and all citizens are urged to join in the commemoration of this important observance.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 479

Offered by Representative May:

WHEREAS, Art therapy is used to assist people to rise above the illness, trauma, and challenges they face in life through the healing potential of art; and

WHEREAS, Art therapists are trained professionals who use art and therapy successfully to promote mental and physical well being; and

WHEREAS, Art therapists have sensitivity to human needs for reconciling emotional conflicts, fostering self awareness, developing social skills, managing behavior, solving problems, reducing anxiety, aiding reality orientation, and increasing self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, Art therapists are regulated by the American Art Therapy Association; and

WHEREAS, The national non-profit organization was founded in 1969 and represents over 4,750 individuals, including approximately 280 therapists in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The American Art Therapy Association is convening its annual national conference November 19 through November 23, 2003, in Chicago; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim the week of November 16, 2003, as the American Art Therapy Association Week in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the American Art Therapy Association leaders as a token of our respect and esteem for their efforts on behalf of the citizens of the State of Illinois.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 487

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, BPW/USA was founded in 1919 and today is the largest organization of working women in the world; and

WHEREAS, Centralia BPW was organized in March 1926 and is celebrating 77 years of service to the Centralia area; and

WHEREAS, BPW/USA's primary goal is to promote full participation in the workforce, equity, and economic self-sufficiency for America's working women, and, through educational scholarships, help them to be of greater service to their community, their state, their nation, and the world; and

WHEREAS, BPW/USA helped bring about much of the landmark civil and women's rights legislation of our time, from the Civil Rights Act and Equal Pay Act, to Title IX and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act; and

WHEREAS, At the heart of BPW/USA is the local organization where members come together and share personal, professional, and leadership development, political skills and awareness, scholarship and loan resources, and participate in a professional network; and

WHEREAS, The President of the United States has proclaimed October 19 to October 25, 2003 as

National Business Women's Week, a time set aside to honor working women across the country; and

WHEREAS, The majority of members of the Centralia BPW are residents of the City of Centralia; and

WHEREAS, We are proud of their leadership and service not only to the Centralia community but also to the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim October 19 to October 25, 2003 as "National Business Women's Week" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Sylvia Mahle and Gloria Freels, co-chairpersons of BPW Week, as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 492

Offered by Representative Kelly:

WHEREAS, Celiac disease is a genetic disorder affecting children and adults; celiac disease can affect one in every 133 Americans; this makes celiac disease twice as common as Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, and cystic fibrosis combined; and

WHEREAS, People with celiac disease are unable to eat foods that contain gluten, which is found in wheat, rye, and barley; these grains are used as ingredients in many foods, or are processed into other ingredients that in turn are included in foods; and

WHEREAS, In people with celiac disease, eating gluten sets off an autoimmune reaction that causes damage to the small intestine; untreated celiac disease can be life threatening and has been linked to an increased risk of certain types of cancer, especially non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; it can lead to growth failure in children, and it is known to cause osteoporosis, anemia, infertility, and depression in adults; and

WHEREAS, The only known treatment for celiac disease is adherence to a strict, life-long, gluten-free diet; current labeling laws do not adequately address the needs of persons with celiac disease or food allergies; because gluten is a binding protein, it can be used in many food products, which would make them unsafe for people with celiac disease to eat; food processors do not define gluten the same as the medical community, therefore, a person with celiac disease might not recognize some ingredients as containing gluten when reading a food label; individuals with celiac disease must go to great lengths to determine if a product is safe for their consumption; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the United States Congress to pass legislation regarding the labeling of food products containing gluten and other known allergens in order to address the needs of those with celiac disease and food allergies; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 497

Offered by Representative Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, In the fall of 1968, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign initiated the Special Educational Opportunities Program, more commonly referred to as Project 500, which was designed to increase and improve the recruitment, admission, and graduation of students from socio-cultural groups previously under-represented on that campus; and

WHEREAS, Chancellor Jack W. Peltason, supported by the endorsement of this effort by President David Dodds Henry, encouraged students, faculty, staff, and the entire campus community to actively support this enterprise which was intended to expand the University's historical mission to include social justice and the provision of equal access to higher education of all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Thirty-five years later, this program with community, State, and federal support has graduated thousands of Illinois citizens of color who have achieved profitable, successful, and contributing careers in the arts, sciences, education, the law, and other professions in this State and throughout the nation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize and honor the dedication, perseverance, and vision of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and those persons who were and are responsible for the remarkable initiative that so well articulates the institution's land grant mission and is known as Project 500; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as an expression of our esteem.

### AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 419

Offered by Representative Mulligan:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish to congratulate Avenues to Independence on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Avenues to Independence was incorporated in Park Ridge on November 19, 1953 as Northwest Suburban Aid for the Retarded; it is an agency that serves more than 250 people with developmental disabilities and their families who reside in Chicago and the surrounding suburbs; and

WHEREAS, Avenues to Independence is dedicated to putting aside old ideas about what is possible and instead working in partnership with the community to support and encourage people with disabilities to lead the lives they choose; the dedicated staff and Board of Directors provide opportunities for people with developmental disabilities to be productive citizens who live, work, volunteer, and take part in all aspects of community life; and

WHEREAS, Residents have warmly welcomed the people of Avenues to Independence who live in Avenues' supported apartment buildings and single family homes in their communities; the agency has a lifelong commitment to the people it serves; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Avenues to Independence on the occasion of its 50th anniversary and we commend the organization for its extensive work with developmentally disabled adults; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Avenues to Independence as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 420

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, John Richard Foran will be honored on June 9, 2003, at the Rosewood West by the Mount Greenwood Civic Association as the 2003 "Man of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives have been informed of this accomplishment by State Representative Kevin Joyce; and

WHEREAS, John was born on July 4, 1960, the devoted son of Jack and Evelyn Foran; he graduated from Saint Cajetan Grammar School in 1974, Saint Rita High School in 1978, and Chicago State University in 1983; and

WHEREAS, John married Denise Link on August 29, 1986, at Saint Cajetan Catholic Church; the union of their marriage has brought them two wonderful children, Brian and Mary Kate; John and his family are proud members of Saint Christina Catholic Parish; and

WHEREAS, John began his career with the Chicago Park District in 1984 as a Recreation Leader at Kennedy Park; he was promoted to Physical Instructor of Rainey Park in 1985, before moving to Mount Greenwood Park in 1987; he was promoted to Supervisor of Mount Greenwood Park in 1996, succeeding the legendary Gerry Tourville; and

WHEREAS, John Foran's character, dedication, and commitment have earned him the respect and admiration of the entire community for all that he does for the programs at Mount Greenwood Park; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate John Foran for being honored as the 2003 Man of the Year and for his commitment to the families of the Mount Greenwood community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of John Foran.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 421

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives would like to congratulate and honor Rainbow House for the support services they provide to the victims of domestic violence and their children in the greater Chicago community; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow House will host the 18th Annual Bread & amp; Roses Benefit on Sunday, June 8, 2003, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Crystal Ballroom in downtown Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow House, a Chicago based non-profit organization, was founded in 1982; its mission is to provide shelter, outreach, and violence prevention services to individuals, families, and communities, and to be effective public policy advocates for systematic change that reduces the prevalence and impact of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow House has community resource programs in the Beverly/Morgan Park, Lawndale, and Little Village communities in Chicago; each year they provide confidential services, free of charge, to thousands of women and children who are victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow House will honor Susan Anderson, an active volunteer and former client, with the 2003 Individual Courage Award; and Andy Dunning, Editor of the Beverly Review, with the 2003 Media Advocacy Award for his commitment to raise awareness about the devastating effects of domestic violence in our community; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Rainbow House for years of building partnerships to end domestic violence and wish the organization success at the 18th Annual Bread & amp; Roses Benefit; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the dedicated staff of Rainbow House.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 422

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, Maureen McSweeney Escherich will be honored on June 9, 2003, at the Rosewood West by the Mount Greenwood Civic Association as the 2003 "Woman of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives have been informed of this accomplishment by State Representative Kevin Joyce; and

WHEREAS, Maureen is the devoted daughter of Robert and Shirley McSweeney; she is a graduate of Saint John Fisher Grammar School in 1973 and Bogan High School in 1977; she married Art Escherich on March 21, 1986; the union of their marriage brought them three beautiful daughters, Maura, Kathleen, and Claire; their family has been proud parishioners of Queen of Martyrs Parish for the past 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom called Arthur Escherich to his eternal reward on February 14, 2002; his kindness, courage, and terrific sense of humor endeared him to family, friends, and all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Maureen has been a dedicated employee of the Cook County Assessor's office since December of 1979; she has served as a precinct captain for the 19th Ward Democratic Organization for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Maureen is active in numerous civic organizations, as well as many charitable causes in

her community, including the Mount Greenwood Special Recreation Parents' Association, the Mount Greenwood Civic Association, the Queen of Martyrs Holy Name Society, the Elim Christian School Parents' Association, and the Marist High School Mothers Club; and

WHEREAS, Maureen Escherich, throughout her life, has been respected by family and friends for her character, dedication, and commitment to a worthy cause in need; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Maureen Escherich for being honored as the 2003 Woman of the Year and for her commitment to the Mount Greenwood Community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to the family of Maureen Escherich as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 423

Offered by Representative Osmond:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Barbara Churchill Brown on her retirement after 18 years as manager of the Cedar Village Apartments in Lake Villa; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brown was born on January 1, 1934 to Howard and Vyola Churchill, the youngest of three children; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brown attended Libertyville/Fremont High School; she received a degree from the College of Lake County and the National College of Education; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brown's work experience included teaching special needs students, distributing Watkins products, and running her own business, Weddings by Barbara; in addition, she has worked for Prudential, Hawthorn Melody Farms Greenhouse, Hoffman's Greenhouse, and she was a Head Start teacher; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brown is a member of the Libertyville Methodist Church, the Girls Athletic Association at Libertyville High School, and she serves on the High School reunion committees; she is a Den Mother, a Sunday School Teacher at Ingleside Methodist Church, a Great Book Club Teacher, and a Notary Public; she is also an avid gardener; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brown plans to spend her retirement with her children, Jack (Pat), Cindy (Jorge), and Brian(Kay); and her grandchildren; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Barbara Churchill Brown on her retirement and wish her good health and happiness in all of her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Barbara Churchill Brown with our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 424

Offered by Representative Brosnahan:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Mrs. Marie Ruff on the occasion of her retirement as Vice President of Patient Care Services of Little Company of Mary Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has been with the Hospital for 30 years and a registered nurse for 47 years; since her graduation from Little Company of Mary School of Nursing in 1956, she has worked as a Staff Nurse, Head Nurse, Director of Maternal Child Services, Director of Surgical Services, and for the past 16 years as Vice President of Patient Care Services; and

WHEREAS, As a nurse, Mrs. Ruff has demonstrated practice, courage, and compassion throughout her entire career; she has served as a role model, not only to nurses, but to every person that she has come in contact with; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has worked in many clinical areas in nursing including, but not limited to, obstetrics, pediatrics, surgery, medical/surgical, home care/hospice, and ambulatory settings; she is known for her attention to patient needs; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has been successful in her position because she has had the courage to stand up for her convictions in relation to anything that is in the best interest of patients; in her position, she has worked to improve staffing ratios and has had an open door policy with her staff; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff's entire life may best be characterized with the word "compassion"; when she hears of a person in need, she tries to help; she has been extremely compassionate in cases of impaired employees including contacting the employee personally to make sure all was going well; she volunteers at Catholic Charity health fairs and the Chicago Board of Health Clinics, where she administers flu pneumonia shots; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Mrs. Marie Ruff on the occasion of her retirement from Little Company of Mary Hospital, and we extend our thanks to her for her extensive care of patients, staff, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Marie Ruff as an expression of the respect and admiration she has earned from us, her staff, and her colleagues by serving as a role model, mentor, teacher, friend, and supporter.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 425

Offered by Representative Turner:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Taylor K. Anderson on the occasion of his graduation from Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, Taylor has a cumulative grade point average of 4.1 on a weighted scale; he is ranked 98 in a class of 371; he is a member of National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Taylor participated in many activities during high school, including serving as the varsity football team captain; he was a member of the Springfield Chapter of NAACP, intramural indoor soccer, Christian Youth Organization basketball, Seven & Senators Show Choir, Faith Lutheran Youth Group, I Decide Teen Advisory Panel, and Principal Scholars; he was volunteer coordinator for ICASI (Jack 'N Jill), a member of Urban League National Achievers, and the District 186 Student Representative for the Disciplinary Code Committee; and

WHEREAS, Taylor was a member of German Club, a founding member of the Springfield High School History Club, a member of Latin Club, an election judge for the 2002 general election, an honorary page in the Illinois House of Representatives, a powder puff (girls football) coach, and a member of the freshman and junior varsity football and basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, Taylor has generously given of his time by working in youth ministry in the Appalachian Mountains, with the SIU Foundation - Breast Center, at the Mini O'Brein Crisis Nursery Holiday Store, and with the Union Baptist Bread Line and Helping Hands Food Pantry; he has worked with the YMCA Elementary Basketball program as an assistant coach; he participated in the Big Brother Big Sister Bowling for Kids, the Safe Neighborhood Halloween Party, and the Crop Walk for Hunger; and

WHEREAS, Taylor has been employed by Isringhausen Imports, Staff Carpets & Vinyl Flooring, Anderson Legislative Consulting, and Cullen & Associates, Ltd.; he enjoys reading, traveling abroad, playing the guitar and piano, listening to music, and computer interaction; and

WHEREAS, Taylor plans to attend either Morehouse College or Clark Atlanta University; he received the Presidential Scholarship from Clark Atlanta University, a Tuition Scholarship and acceptance in the Honors Program at Morehouse College, and the Diversity Scholarship from the University of Missouri; he plans to attend law school after college graduation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Taylor K. Anderson on the occasion of his graduation from Springfield High School; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Taylor K. Anderson as an expression of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for his future.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 426

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the members and coaches of the boys track team of Thornwood High School in South Holland on winning their third straight IHSA Class AA boys track team championship at the 109th Annual Boys State Track and Field Meet on Saturday, May 31, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Thornwood Thunderbirds won the championship with a Class AA record of 78 points, with the closest competitor scoring 33 points; most of the points amassed for the team were in the speed running events, the hurdles, the relay races, and the long jump, with the team taking first place in 5 of 19 events; the Thunderbirds are the first team to win 3 State consecutive Class AA titles since East St. Louis Lincoln won from 1981 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Majors placed first in the long jump with a jump of 24 feet and 1 and 3/4 inches; Keith Hopkins placed first in the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 14.30 seconds; Jeremy Johnson placed first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 48.87 seconds and first in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.68 seconds; Stephen Taylor placed third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 49.16 seconds and second in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.88 seconds; and

WHEREAS, The 4x100-meter relay team of Leslie Majors, Stephen Taylor, Floyd Davis, and Jeremy Johnson placed first with a time of 42.24 seconds; the 4x200-meter relay team of Floyd Davis, Andre' Butler, DeAndre Tillman, and Leslie Majors placed fifth with a time of 1 minute and 29.02 seconds; and

WHEREAS, The coach of the Thunderbirds is Gary Hauptert; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the members and coaches of the Thornwood High School boys track team on winning their third consecutive IHSA Class AA Boys Track and Field Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to each of the members and coaches of the Thornwood High School Thunderbirds boys track team as an expression of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for future success.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 427

Offered by Representative Washington:

WHEREAS, Ed and Kitty Shumaker have truly lived by the Golden Rule since they moved to Waukegan 34 years ago; they have been named recipients of the 2003 Book of Golden Deeds Award given by the Waukegan Exchange Club; and

WHEREAS, While Mr. Shumaker was employed as director of purchasing for Ammco Tools in North Chicago, he became interested in the real estate business; being a charter member of the Lake County Apartment Owner's Association, he taught creative real estate at the College of Lake County and at Waukegan High School Adult Education program; wanting to share his knowledge of real estate with others and encouraged by his students, he, with Kitty's help, wrote a book entitled "Creative Real Estate Investing-One Family's Success Story"; and

WHEREAS, Retiring from real estate investing in 1993, Mr. Shumaker soon became restless and sought other avenues for fulfillment; aware that there were individuals who, because of mental handicap, addiction, or other conditions, needed help in managing their income from government sources, he joined with others in founding I-PLUS (Independent Positive Living Under Supervision); this not for-profit agency is designated as the payee for persons incapable of managing their income from Social Security disability programs, veteran's benefit programs, and other sources; the agency pays the client's bills such as rent and utilities and deposits any remaining funds in the client's account after advancing enough cash to the client for food and clothing and other living expenses; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shumaker then turned his attention toward children at risk of getting into trouble during after-school hours; he and Kitty founded the Lake Shore Youth Center on Belvidere Road in Waukegan, a place where youths could "drop in" after school; here they could participate in recreational activities, obtain help with homework, receive guidance from volunteer mentors, and generally be safe from the dangers of the street or a home with no parental supervision; besides founding and guiding Lake Shore Youth Center, for several years he donated his salary as Waukegan Township Clerk to the Center; the program is now affiliated with a national organization and called Boys and Girls Club of Lake County; thus he and Kitty's dream of helping kids in need is bearing abundant fruit; and

WHEREAS, Among many awards Mr. Shumaker has received are the following: Boys and Girls Club of America Outstanding Board Volunteer (in 2002) and Lifetime Achievement Award from United Way of Lake County (in 2002); and

WHEREAS, Kitty Shumaker is very active in helping the hungry and the homeless; in 1984 she was one of the organizers of the Bread Basket Soup Kitchen connected with Holy Family Parish and she has coordinated the project ever since; last year over 14,000 meals were served at the soup kitchen, and one evening meal per week was provided for the 15 residents of Staben Center; and

WHEREAS, A charter member of the Food Resource Council, she is past president and presently serves as a board member; this organization collected and distributed 60 tons of food to 18 food pantries and soup kitchens in March of 2003 during its annual food drive, which it sponsors together with the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shumaker is in charge of registration for the annual CROP Walk of Northern Lake County held in October; in 2002 CROP Walk collected over \$105,000 to feed hungry people and help them feed themselves; and

WHEREAS, Since its beginning in 1986, she has been the leader of the SPRED (Special Religious Education for the Developmentally Disabled) program held in Holy Family Parish; members of the team interact with a group of residents from the Kiley Developmental Center on a bi-weekly basis; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shumaker is an active member of the Parish Council at Holy Family Catholic Church and is involved in other parish ministries; and

WHEREAS, As Public Relations Coordinator for the Follow Through Program, she edited the Follow Through Newsletter which was circulated to school districts across the country; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shumaker is a past secretary and currently is a board member of the Boys and Girls Club of Lake County and was newsletter editor for the Lake County Apartment Owners Association; and

WHEREAS, Kitty supports Ed in his endeavors and Ed, in turn, helps Kitty in the soup kitchen almost daily with the many tasks involved, including pick-up of donations and maintenance work at the food pantry; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker's seven children are all grown and married and they have 23 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; on June 25, 2003 they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we salute Ed and Kitty Shumaker for being chosen the Book of Golden Deeds Award recipients for 2003 and wish them well in all their future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ed and Kitty Shumaker as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 428

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the volunteers and coordinators of the Clinton County Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, The Clinton County Relay for Life is an annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society; this year, the relay was held in two locations, Mt. Vernon and Centralia; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Relay for Life consists of teams which commit to having one member walk the track during the entire event; the opening lap at each relay is traditionally known as the Survivor's Lap, which is walked by cancer survivors; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Meadows served as the Chairman for the Mt. Vernon relay, and the Co-Chairmen for the Centralia relay were Melynda Wesling, Vicky Vaughn, LynAnn Pigg, and Jamie Elmore; in previous years, Kim McMillan worked extensively on the Centralia Relay for Life; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Sherry Meadows, Melynda Wesling, Vicky Vaughn, LynAnn Pigg, Jamie Elmore, and Kim McMillan for their extensive work in support of the Clinton County Relay for Life annual event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend our heartiest thanks to the volunteers, victims, and cancer survivors for their work on behalf of cancer research and awareness; and be it further



RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to each of the Chairmen listed above as an expression of our sincere gratitude and respect.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 429

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois would like to thank the organizer, volunteers, and participants of the Mt. Vernon Relay for Life for their hard work and contributions to the event; and

WHEREAS, Relay for Life is an annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Relay for Life consists of teams which commit to having one member walk the track during the entire event; the opening lap at each relay is traditionally known as the Survivor's Lap, which is walked by cancer survivors; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Meadows served as the Chairman for the Mt. Vernon relay; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Sherry Meadows, for her extensive work in support of the Mt. Vernon Relay for Life annual event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend our heartiest thanks to the volunteers, cancer survivors, and participants for their work on behalf of cancer research and awareness, and we honor the memory of the victims of cancer; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Sherry Meadows as an expression of our sincere gratitude and respect.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 430

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois would like to thank the organizers, volunteers, and participants of the Centralia Relay for Life for their hard work and contributions to the event; and

WHEREAS, Relay for Life is an annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Relay for Life consists of teams which commit to having one member walk the track during the entire event; the opening lap at each relay is traditionally known as the Survivor's Lap, which is walked by cancer survivors; and

WHEREAS, Melynda Wesling, Vicky Vaughn, LynAnn Pigg, and Jamie Elmore served as the Co-Chairmen for the Centralia relay; Kim McMillan has put in countless hours in the past for the event; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Melynda Wesling, Vicky Vaughn, LynAnn Pigg, Jamie Elmore, and Kim McMillan for their extensive work in support of the Centralia Relay for Life annual event, both in 2003 and in the past; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend our heartiest thanks to the volunteers, cancer survivors, and participants for their work on behalf of cancer research and awareness, and we honor the memory of the victims of cancer; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Melynda Wesling, Vicky Vaughn, LynAnn Pigg, Jamie Elmore, and Kim McMillan as an expression of our sincere gratitude and respect.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 431

Offered by Representative Brosnahan:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Brother Patrick Sean Hayes on the occasion of his 25th Anniversary Jubilee; and

WHEREAS, Brother Hayes was born on January 29, 1960 in Redford, Michigan to Robert and Florence Hayes; he was the sixth of seven children; and

WHEREAS, Brother Hayes graduated from St. Regis School in Michigan in 1974 and from Brother Rice High School in Birmingham, Michigan in 1978; and

WHEREAS, On August 6, 1978, Brother Hayes entered the Congregation of Christian Brothers; he took his first vows on August 30, 1980 and his final vows on June 7, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Brother Hayes holds a B.A. in physics from Lewis University; he received an M.S.E.D. in physics from Eastern Illinois University in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Brother Hayes's first assignment as a member of the Congregation of Christian Brothers was at St. Laurence High School in Burbank in 1982; he also served at Brother Rice High School in Birmingham, Michigan; St. Patrick High School in Vallejo, California; and in 1991, he arrived at Brother Rice High School located in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, Brother Hayes has been honored for his work; in 1988, he received the Distinguished Alumnus of Brother Rice High School in Birmingham, Michigan; in 2002, he was inducted in the Hall of Fame of Brother Rice High School in Chicago; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Brother Patrick Sean Hayes on the occasion of his 25th Anniversary Jubilee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Brother Patrick Sean Hayes as an expression of our respect and esteem for his many years of service in education.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 432

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the City of Centralia on the celebration of its sesquicentennial anniversary; and

WHEREAS, One hundred and fifty years is quite a testament to a community's strength and perseverance; founded and named by the Illinois Central Railroad, Centralia was at the doorstep of the new frontier, where the North-South rail corridors met the East-West corridors; this fact helped build Centralia into an industrial crossroads for the nation; and

WHEREAS, The development of energy sources in the Centralia area was also a boost in the growth in both the importance and the size of the community; coal mining became an integral source to the community both for production and rail export; in addition, Centralia once had the largest producing oil field in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Centralia has a rich heritage and has produced numerous professional athletes, including America's most winning high school basketball team; Centralia also has outstanding recreation facilities that are located throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Centralia also boasts a diversified community of residents along with its history of diversified industry; it is a place that families can call home, where residents attend church on Sundays, and where charitable work and helpfulness is the norm, rather than exception; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the City of Centralia on its 150th anniversary and commend its residents for making the City what it is today; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Mayor of the City of Centralia as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 433

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The Carlyle Rotary Club observed its 75th anniversary of service to the Carlyle area, the nation, and the world on May 18, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Carlyle Rotary is a chapter of Rotary District 6510 and of Rotary International; it is an organization of some 1.2 million business and professional men and women united worldwide; the Rotary

provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary was only 22 years old when the Carlyle Club joined the worldwide organization of business and professional persons; the Carlyle Club was number 3303 in the long lineage of Rotary and was sponsored by Flora; and

WHEREAS, The original members of Rotary Club included Paul Harris, Sylvester Schille, Gustav Loehr, and Hiram Shorey; the current president of Carlyle Rotary is Hal Meisenheimer and the president-elect is Dan Imming; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Carlyle Rotary Club on celebrating its 75th anniversary of dedicated service to the people of Carlyle and Clinton Counties; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the president of the Carlyle Rotary, Hal Meisenheimer, as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 434

Offered by Representative Verschoore:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the Mercer County Agricultural Society on the occasion of its 150th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Mercer County Agricultural Society was organized in 1853 and sponsored the first Mercer County Fair that same year; and

WHEREAS, The Mercer County Fair has fostered agricultural education throughout Western Illinois through competitions, displays, exhibits, and educational programs; the Mercer County Fair has provided the community with dances, entertainment, and other social events each summer; and

WHEREAS, The Mercer County Fair has aided the youth of the area by hosting the 4H Exhibition Show since 1949; and

WHEREAS, The July 2003 Mercer County Fair has been designated as the Sesquicentennial Fair in remembrance of 150 years of successfully educating and serving the county and Western Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Mercer County Agricultural Society on the occasion of its 150th anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Mercer County Agricultural Society as an expression of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for a successful Sesquicentennial Fair.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 436

Offered by Representative Froehlich:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were shocked and saddened to hear of the untimely death of Lance Corporal Jakub Henryk Kowalik, United States Marine Corps, of Schaumburg, on Monday, May 12, 2003, in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Kowalik had been assigned to the 1st Maintenance Battalion of the 1st Service Support Group, which was based at Camp Pendleton, since August of 2002; he served as an assault amphibious vehicle repairer and technician; he joined the United States Marine Corps in December of 2001; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Kowalik was a native of Poland, born to Henryk and Danuta Kowalik; the family migrated to the United States in 1992, first living in Chicago, then moving to Niles and recently to Schaumburg; he was a 2001 graduate of Maine West High School in Park Ridge where he played football; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Kowalik enjoyed fishing, which he shared with his father, Henryk, who preceded him in death two years after arriving in America; he also enjoyed his PlayStation, Tom and Jerry cartoons, entertaining his friends' younger siblings, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Lance Corporal Jakub H. Kowalik has been deeply felt by all who knew him, especially his mother Danuta Kowalik and her fiance, Joseph Kot; his brother, Paul Kowalik; and many other friends and relatives; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Lance Corporal Jakub Henryk Kowalik, who will be remembered as a hero of the United States Marine Corps; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Lance Corporal Kowalik and his willingness to serve our great nation which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Lance Corporal Jakub H. Kowalik, United States Marine Corps, as an expression of our deepest sympathy during their time of bereavement.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 437

Offered by Representative Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Bob Wendt of Champaign County, is retiring from his position as Champaign County Farm Bureau Manager after 27 years of service; and

WHEREAS, In 1975, Mr. Wendt took the post of manager and had responsibilities including being the legislative liaison, handling marketing, member services, and benefits, and other county committee activities; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the Champaign County position, Mr. Wendt served as the Executive Secretary of the Logan County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wendt established the Champaign County Farm Bureau Foundation in 1985, which focuses on cultivating future agricultural leaders through educational programs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wendt has earned the esteem of the entire community he serves and the respect of his colleagues through his interactions with volunteers and efforts to sustain farm family life; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Bob Wendt on his retirement as the Champaign County Farm Bureau Manager and wish him well in the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Wendt and the Champaign County Farm Bureau as a token of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 438

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The tradition of charity has been a constant throughout the Elks' 100 years in Mt. Vernon; and

WHEREAS, The Elks, a national fraternity, is involved in a variety of charitable work involving children and veterans; and

WHEREAS, Members also uphold their long-standing tradition of patriotism and spirituality; through national, state and local efforts, the Elks help college students afford an education and help children with orthopedic problems get the care and financial support they need; and

WHEREAS, The Elks are most involved in assisting crippled children across the State; the Illinois Elks Crippled Children Corp. sponsors four clinics annually in Mt. Vernon; and

WHEREAS, Whether it's providing bingo games at the Marion and Anna Veterans Affairs hospitals, sponsoring an Easter bunny program at nursing homes or organizing blood drives, the Elks seem to have their hands all over charities in Southern Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate and thank Elks Lodge 819 for 100 years of service and commitment to the Mt. Vernon community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Elks Lodge 819's exalted ruler, Robert Morrison, as an expression of our respect and esteem.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 439

Offered by Representative Mautino:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate St. Margaret's Hospital of Spring Valley on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, At the turn of the twentieth century, Spring Valley was a large coal mining camp with a population of 6,214 people; laws governing the protection of miners were few; accidents and deaths were frequent; and

WHEREAS, The area's great need for a hospital facility was recognized by the Reverend John Power, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church; he appealed to the Sisters of Mary of the Presentation to staff the new hospital; 25 acres of land and a two-story frame house were donated by Father Power, beginning the process; and

WHEREAS, When the first 7 sisters arrived in November of 1903, they were practically without funds, and only a few of them spoke English; the little hospital was nearly unfurnished and contained only a five-bed ward and one private room; the building was illuminated by kerosene lamps and heated with coal stoves; and

WHEREAS, Today, St. Margaret's has Community Health Clinics in 14 locations and is continually expanding and improving upon its facilities and services; St. Margaret's has a medical staff of more than 120 physicians, surgeons, dentists, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants; more than 600 nurses, aides, technicians, and various other employees account for the rest of the St. Margaret's staff; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate St. Margaret's Hospital of Spring Valley on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to St. Margaret's Hospital as a token of our gratitude for the many lives touched through the care given at St. Margaret's Hospital.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 440

Offered by Representative Mautino:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the citizens of Arlington on the occasion of their sesquicentennial celebration; and

WHEREAS, In 1840, Captain Michael Kennedy, a gifted mathematician and engineer who worked as superintendent of the Illinois and Michigan Canal and served as a contractor of the Peru and Galena Railroad, bought the land where the town of Arlington would be located; 13 years later, on December 19, 1853, he platted the village and changed the name from Lost Grove to Arlington, after the city in New York that he was from; and

WHEREAS, An early settler, Peter Cassidy, laid out the southwest addition to the town in 1854, and various other sections were being claimed which would be additions bearing the names of their owners; the real development of Arlington began with the collapse of the Illinois Michigan Canal and when Mr. Kennedy managed to have the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad routed through Arlington; and

WHEREAS, In 1867, Arlington boasted a population of 1,586 people and was home to 3 dry goods stores, 1 grocery store, 1 clothing store, 1 hotel, 3 doctors, 3 churches, 2 school buildings, 1 drug store, and a steam mill; in 1901, the first financial institution offered its services when the Arlington Exchange Bank was chartered; and

WHEREAS, This year, Arlington will celebrate its sesquicentennial; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the citizens of Arlington on the occasion of their sesquicentennial celebration; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the city of Arlington as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 441

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are grateful for the men and women of Illinois that choose to serve our country in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, The men and women of the Armed Forces work each day for the freedom of the people of Illinois, the United States, and the world; they fight tyranny and oppression and are willing to give their lives if necessary; those who are willing to serve sacrifice time with family, familiar surroundings, and community for the good of the American people; and

WHEREAS, When those who have served return home to us, we are blessed beyond measure to share time with them; and

WHEREAS, On Saturday, July 19, 2003, the people of Bartelso will celebrate the homecoming of three heroes, Sergeant First Class Randall S. Smith, Major Rachele M. Smith, United States Army, and Ronda Lohman, who have served overseas for the United States of America; they have represented our country with honor and valor; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Smith is the son-in-law of Phil and Carol Menkhaus; he is a member of the 5th Special Forces Group, and is a demolitions expert and a medic; he has served in the United States Army for 19 years; he most recently served in Operation Iraqi Freedom; he holds countless awards and has served in several conflicts, including the El Salvadoran Conflict in 1987, the Panama Conflict from 1989 to 1990, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan from 2001 to 2002; and

WHEREAS, Major Rachele M. Smith is the daughter of Phil and Carol Menkhaus; she holds a master's degree in health administration services; she most recently was deployed to Kuwait and Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as a member of the 86th Combat Support Hospital based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; she served in Uzbekistan and Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; she is the recipient of countless awards and decorations and wears the Expert Field Medical Badge and the Army Parachutist Badge; and

WHEREAS, Ronda Lohman is the daughter of Mark and Darlene Lohman; she left Bartelso on July 29, 2001 for basic training at Fort Leonard Wood Army Base in Missouri; she completed her Advanced Individual Training at Fort Bliss Army Base in El Paso, Texas; she was then stationed at Osan Air Force Base in Osan, South Korea; she served 18 months in South Korea in the United States Army, with the Air Defense Artillery assigned to the Patriot Missile Launcher; she was promoted to E-5, Specialist, while she was serving in South Korea; and

WHEREAS, Those who serve in the United States Armed Forces are sometimes called upon to pay the ultimate price; Lance Corporal Nicholas Kleiboeker had fulfilled a lifelong dream by enlisting in the United States Marine Corps; tragically, he was killed on May 13, 2003 while serving near Al Hillah, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; his memory is to be honored; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we welcome home Sergeant First Class Randall S. Smith, Major Rachele M. Smith, and Ronda Lohman, and we thank them for their willingness to represent the State of Illinois in the United States Army; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Lance Corporal Nicholas Kleiboeker and his willingness to serve our country; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Sergeant First Class Randall S. Smith, Major Rachele M. Smith, Ronda Lohman, and the family of Lance Corporal Nicholas Kleiboeker as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 442

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Robert M. Frost of Chicago on being chosen to represent Chicago at the 35th Anniversary Special Olympics Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frost competed in the Special Olympics this year and has participated in them for the past 35 years; and

WHEREAS, The Special Olympics began with the first games on July 20, 1968, at Soldier Field in Chicago; the program is now in over 150 countries around the world; and

WHEREAS, Summer Games is the largest of the more than 175 Special Olympics competitions held throughout the State each year; at Summer Games, athletes compete in aquatics, athletics (track & amp; field), bocce, gymnastics, powerlifting, and soccer; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Robert M. Frost on being chosen to represent Chicago at the 35th Anniversary Special Olympics Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Robert M. Frost as an expression of our respect and esteem for his dedication and commitment to participating in Special Olympics.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 443

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, On January 15, 2001 the Musee du Louvre of Paris officially acknowledged receipt of a drawing created by Chicago artist Robert P. Workman; and

WHEREAS, The drawing was donated to the American Artist's Collection of the Musee du Louvre in early January to mark the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Workman was born in Chicago and is the first American Artist accepted in the Musee du Louvre; he is an alumni of the Ecole Du Louvre, as well as The School of the Art Institute of Chicago and has work in the Archives of the Musees of Nationaux de France; and

WHEREAS, The pen and ink drawing has an Ancient Egyptian theme, and includes Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphics; the drawing bears witness to the International renown of the Louvre; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Robert P. Workman on his this monumental achievement and wish him well in all his future endeavors as an artist; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Robert P. Workman as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 444

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society consists of more than two million Americans united to conquer cancer through balanced programs of research, education, advocacy, and service; the dollars raised from the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life are used to provide hope for the future, progress toward a cure, and answers to cancer questions and concerns; and

WHEREAS, The 2003 American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Clinton County is set for August 8th, 2003, at Central High School in Breese; all cancer survivors are invited to celebrate life and the hope for a cure by walking the first lap at the relay; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend the Relay for Life and this unique community event that allows individuals from all over to join in the fight against cancer and celebrate life for survivors, mourn the loss of loved ones, and rally for their community to fight cancer; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the co-chairmen of the Relay for Life Corporate Sponsor Committee, Michele Maue and Jim Thole, as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 445

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the owners of 115 Bourbon Street on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of its establishment, celebrated on Wednesday, July 30, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The DiNovo family owns 115 Bourbon Street, which is located at 3359 West 115th Street in Merrionette Park; it is a restaurant, night club, and sports bar; and

WHEREAS, A special anniversary celebration is planned; Richard Street, former lead singer of the Temptations, and Jr. Walker's All Stars with Darryl Buchanan will perform at the celebration; and

WHEREAS, Since the inception of 115 Bourbon Street, the DiNovo family has been an outstanding neighbor and member of the Merrionette Park and Mount Greenwood communities and has hosted numerous charity events; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the DiNovo family on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of 115 Bourbon Street; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the DiNovo family as an expression of our gratitude for the involvement of 115 Bourbon Street in the community.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 446

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives would like to congratulate Marine Pfc. John Bielecki of Chicago on his safe return home from his dedicated and courageous service in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Marine Pfc. Bielecki is the son of Lee and Demerise Bielecki, who are both Chicago police officers; he is a 2001 graduate of Brother Rice High School and he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in February 2002; he had been stationed in the desert terrain of Iraq with a communications convoy; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank Marine Pfc. John Bielecki for his dedication and willingness to serve our great nation and congratulate him on a safe return home; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Marine Pfc. John Bielecki as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 447

Offered by Representative Brady:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Minor Myers Jr., president of Illinois Wesleyan University, on Tuesday, July 22, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Minor Myers Jr. was born on August 13, 1942 in Akron, Ohio; he earned a bachelor's degree from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1964; he earned a master of arts degree in 1967 and a doctor of philosophy degree in 1972, both from Princeton University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Myers began his career in 1968 as an instructor in government at Connecticut College; in 1984, he was named provost and dean of faculty at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York, where he served for 5 years before moving to Illinois Wesleyan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Myers became Illinois Wesleyan University's 17th president in July of 1989; he was known by all as a renaissance man who was full of life and curiosity; he led Illinois Wesleyan from being a small regional college to one of the top liberal arts schools in the country; and

WHEREAS, During his 14 year tenure as president, the University increased its student enrollment, selectivity, and academic profile; raised \$137 million in a capital campaign; and completed \$115 million of renovation and construction, including The Ames Library, the Center for Natural Science, the Hansen Student Center, and the Shirk Center for Athletics and Recreation; and



WHEREAS, In addition to physical improvements to the University, President Myers led key initiatives that changed Illinois Wesleyan in other important ways; under his leadership, the faculty established an annual student research conference; created semester-long programs in London and Madrid; added major or minor programs in American Studies, Anthropology, Biochemistry, Cognitive Science, Women's Studies, Environmental Studies, Greek and Roman Studies, International Business, Russian, and Japanese Studies; and altered the calendar to develop May Term, a month-long semester during which innovative courses and off-campus study are emphasized; and

WHEREAS, President Myers was a consummate scholar and a teacher whose varied personal interests included playing the piano and harpsichord, discussing music history, and collecting books and meteorites; he was the author or co-author of 8 books as well as numerous articles and papers, and he was the playwright of "The College Inn Revisited" which focused on the 1920's jazz movement in Chicago and the role that city played as a launching ground for Broadway theatre in New York; and

WHEREAS, President Myers served on the boards of directors of the Foundation for Independent Higher Education, the Associated Colleges of Illinois, the Institute for the International Education of Students, and the Lyman Allyn Museum at Connecticut College; he was secretary general of the Society of the Cincinnati from 1986 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, The passing of President Minor Myers Jr. has been deeply felt by his colleagues, community, friends, and especially his wife, Ellen, and his sons, Minor III and Joffre; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, together with his family, friends, colleagues, and community, we mourn the passing of Minor Myers Jr., whose death is a grievous loss to his family and the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of President Minor Myers Jr. as an expression of our profound respect for a citizen who will be sadly missed by family and countless friends and colleagues.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 448

Offered by Representative John E. Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Cleo Dunaway Craig of Marion on Saturday, June 28, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Craig was the oldest living resident of Illinois and was the third oldest person in the United States; she was born in 1890 and graduated from Marion High School in 1908; she taught school for a short time the next year; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Craig worked for the Marion Daily Republican in 1917 while her husband, Edgar, fought in World War I; she quit her job and spent most of her time as a homemaker after her husband returned from fighting the war; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Craig and her husband attended the Chicago World's Fair in the 1930s; she later attended the Montreal and New York City World's Fairs; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Craig was preceded in death by her husband and her only child, Elizabeth; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Craig was known as the oldest fan of the Chicago Cubs for which she received an autographed photograph of Hall of Fame Cubs shortstop Ernie Banks; she could remember the Cubs last World Series Championship in 1908; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Cleo Dunaway Craig; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mrs. Craig as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 449

Offered by Representative Dunkin:

WHEREAS, Faith Ministry of Chicago was organized on July 9, 1996 by Rev. Wilbert L. Taylor; and

WHEREAS, Faith Ministry attends to the whole person through regular church services, as well as community programs, including support groups, a job training program, an ex-offender program, the earn fare program, and transitional housing and clothing assistance for the homeless; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Faith Ministry is to resurrect those souls who have fallen astray, young and old, and restore their hope and faith in God and man; its mission is to be more than a church, but to become a ministry that is productive in every community they can reach; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend Faith Ministry of Chicago on its eighth anniversary of dedicated and committed service to the Chicago community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Rev. Wilbert L. Taylor as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 450

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Dr. Jane Prescott Brown of Hazel Crest on the occasion of her retirement as Director of Alumni Affairs at Chicago State University; and

WHEREAS, Jane Connor Prescott was born in Chicago on January 24, 1933 to Eunice Lyons and James Connor Prescott; she grew up in the Rosenwald Building and moved to West Chesterfield at the age of 7; and

WHEREAS, She married Jerome Howard Brown, whom she had known since she was 7; they had 3 children, Christine, Stephen, and Lynn, and were married for 32 years until his death in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown holds a Bachelor of Education degree, a Masters in Early Childhood Development/Administration, and a Doctorate in Public Administration; she has also completed many courses in foreign studies, international affairs, decoration, and teaching certification; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown began her career with the Young Men's Jewish Council in 1956; she has worked as a preschool and higher education teacher; as Executive Director of South Shore Community Center; as Deputy Director and Director of Day Care and Head Start; as Director of Social Services and Director of Resource Development and Interagency Affairs for the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County, Inc (CEDA); and as Director of Developing Community Programs and Director of Alumni Affairs for Chicago State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown was one of 47 people in the United States selected to serve on Secretary of State Shultz and Bakers' Minority Committee for the Middle East, Central and South America, and South Africa, which dealt with apartheid, drug trafficking in the U.S, and women's rights; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown was the first female in the Chicagoland Region to become an owner/operator of a McDonald's franchise; she won the Gold Hat Award, which is presented by other McDonald's owners; she has served as a trustee for the Village of Hazel Crest and as a trustee for the Grande Prairie Public Library District, covering the Hazel Crest and Country Club Hills areas; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown is a member of the South Suburban Chicago Links, Inc.; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; the Eight Hearts Bridge Club; the Queen of Diamonds Bridge Club; the Chi-Burbs Bridge Club; the Posse; and history clubs; she serves on the Senior Nutrition Board for CEDA of Cook County, the Illinois Youth Advocates Program Board, the Chicago State University Annuitants and Child Care Advisory Board, the Governors State University Alumni Relations Board, the South Cook County Girl Scouts Board of Directors, the West Chesterfield Historical Association, the Grande Prairie Library, and the Village of Hazel Crest; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brown enjoys traveling, playing bridge, art, music, history, reading, dancing, and mentoring; she is the grandmother of 3 girls and 2 boys; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Jane Prescott Brown on the occasion of her retirement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Jane Prescott Brown as an expression of our sincere respect and esteem and with best wishes for a peaceful and relaxing retirement.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 451

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. John Walter "J.W." Smith, Jr. on his recent retirement as the Executive Director of the Chicago Public Schools Department of Sports Administration after 40 years of service; and

WHEREAS, "J.W.", as he is affectionately and respectfully known to the hundreds of students, teachers, and athletic coaches that he has mentored over the years, had spent his entire 40-year professional career in the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, Dr. Smith graduated from Dunbar Vocational High School, and received a bachelor's degree from Northern Illinois University, a masters in Physical Education from Indiana University, and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Education Administration from the University of Illinois at Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith began his teaching career in the Chicago Public Schools in 1963 at Harlan High School; since then, he has taught at Kenwood High School, Percy L. Julian High School, and prior to becoming Executive Director in the Chicago Public School's Department of Sports Administration, was Principal at Adam Clayton Powell Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, While at Percy L. Julian High School, he won eight city football championships and two Prep Bowls; he has been credited with changing the image of Public League football; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as Executive Director of the Chicago Public Schools Department of Sports Administration, he pushed Public League sports into the 21st Century; he organized and implemented a structured sports program for elementary schools that covered 14 sports, reinstated the indoor track program, established freshman and sophomore levels of competition, organized and implemented the summer sports camp, and started the no-pass/no-play policy in which students with a GPA of less than 2.0 must be contracted into an individual study plan in order to play; in addition, he realigned sports conferences with competitive levels and equity, doubled the number of paid coaches available to schools per sport and also brought in lacrosse, 16-inch softball, golf, water polo, and double-dutch; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith's awards include the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Distinguished American, the College Academic All-American Football Team, the Chicago Public League Coach of the Year (5 times), Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Outstanding Achievement (5 times), Operation PUSH Coach of the Year, Coca-Cola Man of the Year, Illinois High School Association Distinguished Service, Chicago Sun-Times Teacher of the Month, and the Chicago Public Schools Principal of Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith is a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the National Alliance of Black Public School Administrators, Operation PUSH, the Chicago Urban League, and the Chicago Principals and Administrators Association; and

WHEREAS, A retirement gala celebration honoring Dr. Smith is set for August 7, 2003; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dr. John Walter "J.W." Smith, Jr. on his retirement after 40 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. John Walter "J.W." Smith, Jr. as an expression of our respect and esteem.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 452

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Loann J. Honesty King on the occasion of her retirement as the Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management at Kennedy-King College after 40 years of committed and dedicated service as an educator and administrator; and

WHEREAS, Vice President King's career began at Parker (Robeson) High School in 1963, where she taught Business Education and served as a Counselor and Chairman of the Counseling Department; in 1980, she went on to work at Jobs for Youth/Chicago, Inc. as Deputy Director and then Associate

Executive Director; following that, she worked for the Illinois Community College Board as Grant Coordinator for the northern Illinois area; in 1987, she joined City Colleges of Chicago as Grant Coordinator and Consultant for Malcolm X and Chicago City-Wide College respectively; and

WHEREAS, Vice President King moved on to serve as Assistant Dean of Instruction, Assistant Dean of Student Services, Dean of Career Programs, and Dean of Instruction at Olive-Harvey College; her student advocacy, organizational skills, and contribution to enrollment increases was marked and she was asked to join Kennedy-King College's administrative staff as Dean of Instruction in August of 1999; in May of 2001, she was promoted to Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. King has been honored for her professionalism and commitment to student advocacy; in February of 2002, she was awarded the National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition's Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate Award; in 1998, she was nominated by Olive-Harvey College and again in 2003 by Kennedy-King College as the recipient of the Outstanding/Phenomenal Woman Award from the American Association of Women in Community Colleges, Harold Washington College Chapter; her professional accomplishments have also been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and Chicago State University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. King is active in many service and community-based organizations; she is a former Central Regional Director and National Treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and is currently a member of Theta Omega Chapter, and the Hoffman Estates Chapter of the Links, Inc.; she serves on the Chicago Community Trust's African American Initiative Committee, and holds active membership in the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, American Association of Women in Community Colleges, Chicago Urban League, and the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers; she is a past President of the Parkway Community House Board of Directors, and she is a former member of the Board of Directors for Hull House and the Human Resource Development Institute; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. King was recently inducted into the Englewood High School Alumni Hall of Fame and her meritorious works have been cited in several publications including being featured in Ebony Magazine's Speaking of People and listed in several Who's Who Biographies; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. King has published several articles and is the author of the book "Pledged to Remember - The History of Central Region," Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. King earned her undergraduate degree from Chicago State University and a Master of Arts degree from Northeastern Illinois University; in 2001, she and her husband, Paul J. King Jr. established the Loann and Paul King Philanthropic Fund with the Chicago Community Trust becoming the Trust's first family donor advised fund established by African Americans; they have two adult sons, Paul J. King III and Timothy J. King; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Mrs. Loann J. Honesty King on the occasion of her retirement after 40 years of service as an educator and administrator, and we thank her for her devotion to student advocacy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Loann J. Honesty King as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 453

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, Education is one of the most noble and important careers one can undertake; those who do are worthy of our utmost respect and honor; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Patricia Grissett of Chicago is retiring from her position as Principal of Harlan Community Academy High School on August 8, 2003, after 33 years in education; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grissett was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in education in 1970 and a Master of Arts degree in education in 1974, both from Roosevelt University in Chicago; she began her career at Wendell Smith and Thomas Brennan Schools in 1970, where she served as a teacher and school counselor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grissett went on to work as a counselor at Chicago Vocational High School and Higgins, Abbott, and Tonti Schools; in 1986, she became the Department Chairperson for the Counseling Department at Chicago Vocational High School; in 1991, she moved on to become the principal of Wendell Smith School, where she served until 1999; during the 1989-1990 school year, she also worked as the

Assistant Director of the Freshman Summer Transition Program; and

WHEREAS, From 1999 to 2000, Ms. Grissett worked as the Associate Principal in the Office of Accountability at Corliss High School, where she provided administrative support, worked on policies and procedures, worked to improve the school climate, and recruited and mentored new faculty and staff members; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grissett began her work at Harlan Community Academy High School in 2000 as Principal; during that time, she worked to improve the school environment, climate, and facility; under her leadership, student enrollment increased, the graduation rate increased, and the JROTC Program was fully accredited and given Academy Status; she worked to establish school-community partnerships with Chicago State University, DePaul University, Roseland Youth Net, Christian Community Health Center, and Harlan Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grissett has been the recipient of many awards and recognitions including the 1990 Oppenheimer Award for Meritorious Service, the 1993 and 1994 Principal of Excellence Award from the Chicago Public Schools, the 1995 Principal of the Year Awards from the Boy Scouts of America and Phi Delta Kappa, the 1998 ABAN AYA Youth Project University of Illinois, and the 2002 Rising Star Award for Outstanding School Achievement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grissett is affiliated with the American Federation of School Administrators, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, the Chicago Area Alliance of Black School Educators, the Chicago Principals and Administrators Association, the National Board for Certified Counselors, and the National Middle School Association; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we heartily congratulate Patricia Grissett on the occasion of her retirement as Principal of Harlan Community Academy High School after 33 years in education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Patricia Grissett as an expression of our gratitude for her outstanding and meritorious service in the field of education.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 455

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois would like to congratulate James T. "JT" Somer on the occasion of his retirement as Salem Fire Chief after 30 years of service with the Salem Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, Chief Somer was born on September 21, 1948 to James D. and Jewell Somer in Salem; he graduated from Salem Community High School in 1966 and Lambeth College in Jackson, Tennessee in the early 1970s; he served in the Air Force as an officer after college; in 1976, he returned to Salem and opened Somer Real Estate; and

WHEREAS, Chief Somer married Janis Staser Somer on July 22, 1994; he is the father of James Robert "Rob" Somer and Elisabet Ann Somer Murray; the stepfather of Jennifer Suzanne Bradshaw and Beth Ann Rysavy; the step-grandfather of Sarah Beth Bauer, Casey Jo Bauer, and Jonathan Staser Bradshaw; and the soon-to-be grandfather of one who is on the way; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure with the Salem Fire Protection District, Chief Somer has led the way in several areas including updating equipment, updating training, remodeling of the fire station, beginning the planning and construction of a new training facility, and guiding the fire department to an ISO Class Rating of 4; and

WHEREAS, Chief Somer has served on many fire service-related committees at the state level including the Medal of Valor committee and the advisory committee; he is on the board of directors at Salem Township Hospital, is a past president of the Salem Industrial Business Committee and the Salem Chamber of Commerce, was listed in the Hall of Fame of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate in 1994, and is very involved in the economic development of Salem; in 1992, he was Salem's Man of the Year, and he has been the recipient of many awards from the City of Salem over the years; and

WHEREAS, During his retirement, Chief Somer hopes to have time to pursue some of his hobbies including golf, fishing, hunting, and carpentry; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Chief James T. "JT" Somer on the

occasion of his retirement as Chief of the Salem Fire Protection District, and we thank him for his faithful service to the safety of the citizens of Salem and the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Somer as an expression of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for a peaceful and relaxing retirement.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 456

Offered by Representative Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the members of the Edison Middle School Jazz Band 1 and their director Mr. Sam Hankins for becoming the 2003 Jazz Ensemble Grand Champion at Musicfest Orlando in April; and

WHEREAS, The Edison Middle School Jazz Band 1 in Champaign was chosen as the Grand Champion out of 46 jazz ensembles from across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sam Hankins directs the Edison Middle School Jazz Band 1, the 6th Grade Concert Band, and the 7th & 8th Grade Concert Band; Mr. Hankins is a professional trumpeter and has performed with artists such as the Ojays, Aretha Franklin, and the Dells; he has been the Edison Middle School Band Director since September 1995; Mr. Hankins earned both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in music education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and

WHEREAS, The Edison Middle School Jazz Band 1 has been chosen as one of three middle school jazz ensembles to perform at the International Association for Jazz Education International Conference in New York City in January 2004; the Jazz Band 1 will be the only jazz ensemble from the United States to perform; the other two middle school bands will be from Japan and Canada; this conference is recognized as the largest gathering of the global jazz community; and

WHEREAS, The members of Jazz Band 1 are Ann Pataky (8th grade; alto saxophone), Brett Anderson (7th grade; alto saxophone), Matt Rodriguez (8th grade; tenor saxophone), Michael Anderson (7th grade; tenor saxophone), C.B. Thompson (8th grade; baritone saxophone), Claire Kirby (8th grade; trumpet), Ben Peden (7th grade; trumpet), Daniel Robinson (7th grade; trumpet), Nate Lyons (8th grade; trumpet), Emily Ho (6th grade; trumpet), Jamey Flynn (7th grade; trombone), Matt Hiser (8th grade; trombone), Taylor Dillon (6th grade; trombone), Travis Hoyne (7th grade; trombone), Andrew Kim (8th grade; piano), Meghann Hiser (8th grade; piano), Eric Egner (8th grade; drums), Nate Sokolski (6th grade; drums), Nigel Knop (8th grade; bass), and Jessica Evans (7th grade; vocalist); therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the members and director of the Edison Middle School Jazz Band 1 on winning the honor of 2003 Jazz Ensemble Grand Champion; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the director and members of Jazz Band 1 and to Edison Middle School as a token of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for future success.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 457

Offered by Representative Capparelli:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Dorothy M. Strzelecki of Niles on Friday, August 8, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Strzelecki (nee Perzan), was born on December 14, 1924 in Chicago; after the death of her father, she assumed leadership of a tool and dye company until 1978; since that time, she has done office work and was in charge of the accounts payable department at a Sportsmart store; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Strzelecki was outgoing; she enjoyed joining various groups as a couple with her husband, Joseph; she was an active member of the Niles Sister Cities committee and a Catholic women's group; she also supported the Optimist Club and the Italian American Association; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Mrs. Strzelecki has been deeply felt by all who knew and loved her, especially her husband, Joseph; her children, Ronald (Joelle) and Dean (Laurie); her grandchildren, Christina (Mike) Demiglio, Ronald Jr. (Melissa), Deana, and Stephanie; her great-grandchildren, Nicholas

and Joseph Demiglio; her sister, Leona Michaels; and her many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Mrs. Dorothy M. Strzelecki and extend our deepest sympathy to her family, friends, and community; she will be remembered as a woman who was a second mother to many; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mrs. Strzelecki as an expression of our sincerest condolences.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 458

Offered by Representative Turner:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with deep regret of the death of Laura Washington on Wednesday, August 13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Washington was born on April 12, 1902 in Arkansas City, Arkansas, to George and Melvina Reed; she was the oldest of 9 children and was preceded in death by 7 of her siblings; she married Reverend Shed Washington; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Washington moved to Chicago where she joined Beautiful Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where she served faithfully as Pastor and Nurses Aide; later, she served on the Mother's Board; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Laura Washington has been deeply felt by her sister, Myrtle Blackman, and her many nieces, nephews, and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Mrs. Laura Washington, and we offer our deepest sympathy to her friends, family, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mrs. Laura Washington as an expression of our sincere condolences.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 459

Offered by Representative O'Brien:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Michael L. Perrine of Kankakee on his retirement as Farm Service Director of WKAN in Kankakee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Perrine graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1959 and attended Odessa Community College in Odessa, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Perrine has been involved in broadcasting for 44 years and spent 33 years in Farm Broadcasting and Agri-Sales; with the exception of 1 year in Indiana, and 3 years in Wisconsin, he has spent most of his broadcast career in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Before becoming Farm Service Director of WKAN in Kankakee, Mr. Perrine worked for stations WLDS in Jacksonville, WJIL in Jacksonville, and WIBU in Poynette, Wisconsin; he was one of very few farm broadcasters that combined agricultural sales with broadcast duties; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Perrine has set many sales records during his career, including "Top Salesman" honors at WKAN for the last three years; other awards he has earned include, the current National Association of Farm Broadcasters (NAFB) Farm Broadcaster of the Year for the Eastern Region, the Special Communicator Award from the Illinois Pork Producers, the Communicator of the Year Award from Land of Lincoln Soybean Association, the Honorary American Farmer Award, recipient of an Honorary Illinois State FFA Degree, and 4H Honorary FFA Chapter degrees; he was also the recipient of the Livestock Conservation Institute Media Award (1990), the Friend of Cooperatives Award (1990), the Illinois Commodity Conference Broadcast Media Award (1997), the Illinois Soybean Association Excellence in Broadcast Media Award (1997), and the Illinois Agriculture Education Excellence Award (Presented in 1998); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Perrine was presented with the Friend of 4-H Award by Columbia County, Wisconsin and Kankakee County, the County Corn Grower Broadcast Awards by the Kankakee County FSA & amp; Kankakee County Soil and Water, the Communication Awards by the Kankakee County FSA and Kankakee County Soil and Water, and the Friend of Growmark award presented in August 2002; therefore,

be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Michael L. Perrine on his retirement after 44 years in broadcasting and wish him good health and happiness in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Michael L. Perrine as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 460

Offered by Representative Capparelli:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize Joseph Florest of Niles on his retirement after more than 36 years of service for the Village of Niles Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Florest was born on November 11, 1941; his original appointment to the fire department was July 30, 1966 and he was appointed Fire Lieutenant in December of 1985; in addition, he served as a Company Commander and was also the department's Air Officer, whose responsibility was the maintenance of self-contained breathing equipment and the air compressor to insure pure breathing air for the safety of firefighter/paramedic personnel; he had held this assignment for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, During his career, he received three commendations for outstanding duty and one Company Unit Citation for actions taken at the Albion Avenue fire; while serving on the ambulance he was injured four times assisting patients; he was also injured ten times in his career during firefighting operations; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Florest has been an asset to the department from the day his fire service career started; he is an exceptional firefighter and is always ready to go the extra mile when things became rough, exhibiting courage and skill to get the job done; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Lieutenant Joseph Florest on his retirement after many years of dedicated service to his career and to the citizens of the Village of Niles; we wish him good health and happiness in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Lieutenant Joseph Florest as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 461

Offered by Representative Dunkin:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Eunice Lee House Alexander on Sunday, August 10, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander was born on May 11, 1925 in Clarksdale, Mississippi; she was the only child of the late Corinne and Steve House; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander married Horace Howard and two children were born to this union, Corinne "Betty" Elizabeth and Barbara Jean; she later was divorced and married Lester Hunt in 1946 and to this union a son, Robert Steve, was born; and she married Henry V. Alexander in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander graduated from Myrtle Hall Elementary School in Clarksdale and came to Chicago with her parents in 1938; she graduated from DuSable High School in Chicago and Cortez W. Peters Business College and earned an Associate's Degree from Kennedy-King College; she held a variety of jobs, including Friendly Loan Co., Spiegels, the United States Treasury Department, the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare before retiring from the United States Department of Agriculture in 1984; and

WHEREAS, In addition, she worked in the family business at House Brothers Food Mart in the early 1940s with her parents and other relatives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander believed in helping her community and she worked for many years as a volunteer with the Urban League and at Operation PUSH with her daughter Betty; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander was a member of Grant Memorial A.M.E. Church for 65 years, where she



served as a missionary, stewardess, and class leader; she remained active in church until the onset of illness and she spent her last three years at St. Agnes Healthcare Center; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Alexander loved to enjoy herself and she loved to be with her family; she was an avid bowler, and a very good one, who at one time bowled five days a week in six leagues and often traveled to other cities for bowling tournaments; she also enjoyed gatherings with her cousins, at card parties and other family functions; and

WHEREAS, Eunice Lee House Alexander's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially her two daughters, Corinne Elizabeth "Betty" Magness and Barbara Whittmon; her son, Robert (CeCi) Steve Hunt; her eight grandchildren, Reverend Tony Land, Andre Whittmon, Jacqui (Sidney Turner) Michael V. Magness, Whittmon, Antione Whittmon, Angel Marquitta Whittmon, Eric Jabar Hunt, and Chaaz Hunt; her fourteen great-grandchildren; her godson, Lawrence Baker; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Eunice Lee House Alexander along with all who knew and loved her and extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Eunice Lee House Alexander as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 462

Offered by Representative Jones:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of General Frank Chandler Bacon, Jr. of Chicago on August 27, 2003; and

WHEREAS, He was born on August 29, 1929 in Lexington, Mississippi to the late Frank and Mary Adams Bacon; and

WHEREAS, He married Marie Baker and to this union three sons were born, Phillip, Geoffrey, and Stuart Bacon; they were later divorced; and

WHEREAS, He moved to Chicago and matriculated at several public schools including DuSable; in 1945, near the end of World War II, he advanced his age and enlisted in the war; he was honorably discharged from the United States Army Air Force and returned to Chicago; he joined a friend, Melvin Clark, and enrolled in West Virginia State College; he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army and served for three years; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon began a lifetime of service in the United States Army Reserves; he also served diligently as a member of the Chicago Police Department for twelve years; he worked for the Chicago Committee on Urban Opportunity and became Director of Manpower; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon received the honor and challenge to develop a military high school within the Chicago Public School System in a facility in Bronzeville that had served as the Eighth Regiment Armory; he raised funding and pursued the completion of building, staffing and operating the Chicago Military Academy, the first military school in the Chicago Public School System; he served the school as the first Superintendent Commandant overseeing its first graduation of seniors on June 16, 2003 with approximately 85% of its graduates accepted to college with scholarships; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon was an outstanding leader who helped bridge the gap between the corporate world and the community; as a community representative for Sears, he worked to develop and provide funding to enhance programs and services to agencies within the community; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon later ventured into entrepreneurship with the ownership of Nutrition Plus, Incorporated, a food distribution center; he then accepted a position to return to teaching at Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Paideia Community Academy; he thrived in this endeavor and later became assistant principal; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon had always had a strong belief in the power of higher education and had demonstrated that belief by educating three sons, two stepdaughters, a niece and nephew, and numerous young people who had come under his direction; and

WHEREAS, General Bacon's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially his loving wife of twenty-three years, Dr. Gloria Jackson-Bacon; his three sons, Phillip, Geoffrey (Donna), and Stuart (Barbara); his two stepdaughters, Constance Jackson and Judith Jackson Fossett (Clayton); his sister, Aniece Bacon; his

stepmother, Inez Miller; his two stepsisters; his grandchildren, Jennifer, Christopher, Patrick, and Jacqueline Bacon, Malikh and Shashu Franklin, D'Andrea "Angel" Harris, and Alden Olivia Fossett; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of General Frank Chandler Bacon, Jr. along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of General Frank Chandler Bacon, Jr. as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 464

Offered by Representative Black:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Ellen Morris as she retires from her position as the executive director of the YWCA of Danville; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morris is retiring after spending 10 years as the agency's director; she assumed the director's job after serving for about two years as director of social services at the facility; and

WHEREAS, When Ms. Morris first took over the reins at the YWCA, one of the first changes she made was to abolish her old job which was being responsible for the domestic violence program and overseeing the sexual assault and homeless programs; she felt the domestic violence program deserved its own full-time director; as director, she had employees reporting directly to her who oversaw the homeless, sexual assault, domestic violence, and child care programs, as well as the health club and thrift shop; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morris has worked hard seeking grants to keep the many programs the YWCA has to offer running and improving like the child care programs, and the Violence Against Women program to expand services to women; and

WHEREAS, After retirement, Ms. Morris plans to assist the new director in a transition period; she plans to continue as president of the Bismarck school board, as well as the Vermilion Association of Special Education board; she would also like to fulfill a longtime desire to tutor adults who can not read or need assistance improving their reading; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Ellen Morris on her retirement from the YWCA of Danville and thank her for her dedication and hard work; we wish her good health and happiness in all of her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ellen Morris as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 466

Offered by Representative Dunkin:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Lucy S. Benigno; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Benigno's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially her children, Vito (Linda), Thomas (Benna), and Ursula (Albert) DiPrima; her grandchildren, Michael, Antonia, Daniela, Anthony, AnnMarie, Lucy, Vito James, and Joesph Ned; her siblings, Joseph, Marie, Thomas, Prudence, Frances, Carlo, and Rosalie; and many dear friends; and

WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her husband, Ned I. Benigno; and her brother, Frank; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Lucy S. Benigno along with all who knew and loved her and extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Lucy S. Benigno as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 467

Offered by Representative Dunkin:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Lawrence Washington on Wednesday, September 3, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington was born on June 24, 1946 in Hazen, Arkansas to Charlie and Mattie Washington; he moved to Gary, Indiana where he attended Pulaski Grammar School and Roosevelt High School; he attended Malcom X College in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington valiantly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1968 until 1970; he was a Viet Nam Combat Veteran; he received an honorable discharge with the rank of Sergeant in addition to many medals and awards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington married Inez Ivy on December 15, 1970; he had an extensive work history with 21 years at Motorola/Quasar in Melrose Park and the Chicago Park District; the last 5 years of his life were spent working under Secretary of State Jesse White; he took great pride in his job; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington was ordained and was active in his church on the Deacon Board, as Church Treasurer, Trustee, and the Executive Church Board; he enjoyed bowling and basketball; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Mr. Washington has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Inez; his sons, James and Devon; his mother, Mattie Washington; his siblings, Charlene Ella Olive (Cornelius), Willie Washington (Glenda), Geraldine Hawthorne, Charlie Washington Jr., and Evelyn Johnson (Avery); his mother-in-law, Lannie C. Ivy; his godchild, Raven Bell; and his many other relatives and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Lawrence Washington and extend our deepest sympathy to his friends, family, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mr. Washington as an expression of our sincerest condolences during their time of bereavement.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 468

Offered by Representative Dunkin:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Elam Adelbert King Jr. of St. Louis, Missouri on September 8, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King was born on May 25, 1927 in St. Louis, Missouri to the late Elam and Aura (Henderson) King; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King was a 1944 graduate of Charles Sumner High School; he served in the United States Army from 1945-1946; he later attended Tucker Business College and St. Louis University; he was employed at the Military Personnel Records Center for 34 years, Lucas Power Industries for 10 years, and Schaefer's Hobby Shop for 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King lived a full and active life that consisted of hobbies such as fishing, hunting, photography, and building model vehicles; he also sang for several area choirs which included the Walton Choraliers, the Eugene B. Holmes Octet, the Sons of Thunder, and the St. James A.M.E. Church Choir; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King had a wide ranging and embracing intelligence, a direct and purposeful manner, and unerring moral compass; he was known for his clever and unconventional sense of humor that, at times, he enjoyed more than anyone; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elam King Jr.'s passing will be deeply felt by many, especially his loving wife of 55 years, Eddie Louise; his children, Doris and Elam III; his daughter-in-law, Patricia; his grandsons, Elam IV and Eric; his brother, John Henry (Alean); his nephews, Luther and Gary (Alriana) Maufas; James (Demetra) King; his brothers-in-law, Arthur, James (LaVerne), and Robert (Jean) Williams; his cousin, Elsie Wall; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his two sisters, Reba Maufas and Alice Fowler; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of Elam Adelbert King, Jr. along

with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Elam Adelbert King, Jr. as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 469

Offered by Representative Tenhouse:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives would like to congratulate The Farmers Bank of Liberty on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its founding; and

WHEREAS, Following a meeting held on June 23, 1903 in the Masonic Hall in Liberty where the community's need for a bank was discussed, The Farmers State Bank of Liberty was established; on July 5, 1904, The Farmers State Bank was technically closed, the charter was surrendered to the State, and the depositors were paid in full; that same day, the directors and officers established a private bank, a "co-partnership" called The Farmers Bank of Liberty, which resumed operations without any interruptions in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors authorized plans for a new bank building in 1913; in 1916, the bank officially opened the Beverly Branch Bank of Liberty; throughout the years, through its loan program, the bank assisted in the opening of several businesses and the building of State Route 104 and a four-year high school; the bank expanded to form a branch facility in Barry in 1995; the Payson Branch was opened in 1999; and

WHEREAS, In 1905, just 2 years after the bank's formation, assets totaled \$65,067; in June of 2003, assets totaled \$44,234,667; through prosperity and adversity, through multiple wars, recessions, and the Great Depression, through prosperous farm yields and prices and the agriculture crisis of the 1980s, The Farmers Bank of Liberty has stood and still stands as a monument of responsible helpfulness to the citizens of Liberty and the surrounding territory; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate The Farmers Bank of Liberty on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and we thank it for its continued support of the community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to The Farmers Bank of Liberty as a token of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for its continued success.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 470

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Mary J. Lynch of Alsip on April 17, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lynch was Alsip Park Commissioner for 22 years; she was also employed with District 228 Bremen High School for 30 years and was awarded winner of Who's Who of American Teachers; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lynch was a member of the VFW Women's Auxiliary #450 and the Village Sportsman Club; in addition, she was an active volunteer for the Village of Alsip and surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, The Mary J. Lynch Scholarship Foundation was started in May of 2003; the scholarship is to be awarded to one student who wants to further their education in vocational studies; this foundation was formed in her honor because of her hard work, cheery smile, and life dedication to teaching children; and

WHEREAS, The Alsip Park District and the Mary J. Lynch Scholarship Foundation are planning a special day in Mrs. Lynch's memory on September 21, 2003; the Alsip Park District's skate park will be renamed Mary J. Lynch Skate Park in her honor; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lynch's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially her loving husband of 30 years, Thomas J. Lynch; her children, Timothy (Jennifer Hansen) Lynch, Tammy (Frank) Potenzo; Tracey Lynch, and Theresa Lynch; her sisters, Barbara (Ronald) Kedzior, Rose Gallagher, and Elizabeth Knudsen; and many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Mary J. Lynch along with all who knew and loved her and extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mary J. Lynch as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 471

Offered by Representative Tenhouse:

WHEREAS, Television station KHQA is celebrating a milestone this year with its 50th anniversary; KHQA first signed on the air in Hannibal, Missouri on September 23, 1953; and

WHEREAS, Some of the personalities of the day brought viewers news and family programs such as the Cactus Jim Show, Rono the Clown, live studio concerts, talk shows, and the station's own cooking show; and

WHEREAS, A year later, the station moved to the Western Catholic Union Building in Quincy, Illinois which put the station at the heart of the city and gave everyone at the station a great view of the Mississippi River; in 1998, the station moved to a new building on South 36th Street that is equipped with state-of-the-art technology; recently the station added a high definition transmitter which brought true high definition television to West Central Illinois; and

WHEREAS, From the beginning, KHQA was a sister station to AM radio station WTAD, and later became a sister station to FM radio station WQCY; the stations parted ways when they were sold to separate owners in 1986; KHQA's current owner is Chelsey Broadcasting Co., LLC of Garden City, New York; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate KHQA on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its first broadcast; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to KHQA as an expression of respect and esteem for its many years of service to West Central Illinois.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 472

Offered by Representative Tenhouse:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate WGEM-TV on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its first broadcast; and

WHEREAS, Quincy Broadcasting Company was granted a construction permit for WGEM-TV on June 18, 1953; soon after, Quincy Newspapers, Inc. Executive Vice President Thomas C. Oakley and WGEM General Manager Joseph Bonansinga, left for the first of several trips to New York to secure network programming for WGEM-TV; they settled on NBC for the network affiliation, but also featured ABC programs due to ties with ABC radio; and

WHEREAS, At 7:30 on the evening of Friday, September 4, 1953, the first program was broadcast on WGEM-TV Channel 10; the first broadcast consisted of a few remarks by announcer Bill Wegman, followed by a 1941 movie entitled "Broadway Limited", and a newscast presented entirely from memory by Charlie Griffith; and

WHEREAS, Over WGEM's 50 years of broadcast public service, the station has served as the primary medium for local and national news, public affairs and community awareness campaigns, local and network programs, and special local programming; WGEM has featured local interest stories from Washington, D.C. to Germany and from every corner of the tri-state area; some of the more significant stories WGEM has covered have included the Flood of 1993 and presidential and political visits and debates; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate WGEM-TV on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its first broadcast; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to WGEM-TV as an expression of respect and esteem for the many years of news and public interest coverage it has produced.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 473

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate The Centralia Foundation on the occasion of the celebration of its 60th anniversary on Thursday, September 25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Centralia Foundation was started in January of 1943 by Verne E. Joy; the foundation was established with an initial donation of \$9,000 for the purpose of building a place of natural beauty that could benefit both young and young at heart; through the benevolence of Mr. Joy and his enthusiasm for this dream, others were encouraged to participate in what was to become a perpetual gift to the community of Centralia; and

WHEREAS, In January of 1946, Mr. Joy purchased and donated a parcel of land amounting to 73 acres that was located 10 blocks east of downtown Centralia; a second piece of ground was attained in May when Caroline M. Robnett gave her family farm, 40 acres that neighbored the Joy ground to the northwest; in June of the same year, Dr. Carl Hall donated a 35 acre tract of land that lay to the north and east of the 2 preceding land contributions; and

WHEREAS, In the year following, more land was acquired; the lands merged and through contributed funds, the Centralia Foundation Parks System was begun; a firm of park architects out of St. Louis, Missouri, drew up a master plan that would emphasize the natural aspects of the proposed park; included in the new park were stone entrance piers, bridges, and numerous rustic shelters; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, the park has grown and flourished; its boundaries now contain 235 acres of preserved park grounds; throughout the park, the emphasis on maintaining a natural appearance is evident; the park is privately owned, privately funded, yet open to the public, free of charge; it includes a carillon park with a 160 foot tall carillon tower, which is one of the largest in the world; a \$6,000,000 recreation complex; and a youth activities center; and

WHEREAS, The Centralia Foundation is governed by a 7-member trustee board; all trustees serve without compensation; the board also provides scholarships of well over \$100,000 annually; the mission of the Foundation is to develop and guide philanthropy to meet the ongoing, changing, and emerging needs of the people of Centralia and surrounding communities, and to be a responsible steward to its donors and of its endowments; the vision of the Foundation is that through the generosity of its citizens, Centralia and surrounding communities will experience an improved, even exceptional, quality of life; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Centralia Foundation Board on the occasion of its 60th anniversary celebration; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Centralia Foundation as an expression of our respect and esteem and with many wishes for continued success in its mission.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 475

Offered by Representative Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to honor Attorney Bruce Mitchell of Marion as a true profile in courage; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mitchell was diagnosed with liver and pancreatic cancer on January 4, 1998, and was given only 6 weeks to live; and

WHEREAS, In the spring of 1998, Dr. Harvey Solomon of St. Louis University performed Whipple Surgery on Mr. Mitchell; Dr. Solomon removed part of Mr. Mitchell's pancreas, liver, and stomach, and his entire gallbladder; success for such surgeries is not great; statistics show that less than 10 percent of the patients that have Whipple Surgery live more than 9 months; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mitchell did not concede; after several rounds of chemotherapy and various experimental and near-death procedures, including liver resection, he continued to hold on; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mitchell underwent a liver transplant in June of 2003, and the operation was a success; at this time, Mr. Mitchell is cancer-free and on the road to recovery and is an inspiration to us all; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Mitchell, despite his debilitating condition, has continued to practice law with his father, J.C. Mitchell; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mitchell's wife, Linda, and his daughter, Erin Brubacker, have been on the front line of his war against cancer and are deserving of recognition as well; and

WHEREAS, Despite all odds and in the face of gravest circumstances, Bruce Mitchell has refused to accept defeat, has lived each day in an inspirational manner, and has waged war against cancer with dignity and courage; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Attorney Bruce Mitchell as a living miracle; further, we honor Bruce Mitchell as a profile in courage and as an example of determination and perseverance, and as an inspiration to us all; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Attorney Bruce Mitchell as an expression of our respect and esteem and with wishes of good health and happiness in the years to come.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 476

Offered by Representative Ryg:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are honored to recognize notable accomplishments of organizations in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District has achieved Accredited Agency status from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District was established in 1939; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District provides fire, rescue, and emergency medical services to portions of Ela, Fremont, Libertyville, and Vernon Townships in Lake County, to areas within the villages of Hawthorne Woods, Indian Creek, Long Grove, and Vernon Hills in Lake County, and to portions of unincorporated areas in Lake County; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District is led by Fire Chief James D. Spiegel, CFO and supported by its officers, firemedics, and staff; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District was the first Fire Protection District in the United States to be recognized as an Accredited Agency by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International in 1988; and

WHEREAS, The Countryside Fire Protection District is the first Fire Protection District to be re-accredited and recognized as an Accredited Agency by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International in 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Commission on Fire Accreditation International is a non-profit organization established in 1996 by the International Association of Fire Chiefs and the International City/County Manager's Association; and

WHEREAS, The Commission on Fire Accreditation International is dedicated to the quality improvement of fire and emergency service agencies throughout the world through self-assessment; and

WHEREAS, The Commission on Fire Accreditation International has itself been recognized by the American Society of Association Executives, winning the 1995 Association's Advance America Award of Excellence; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Countryside Fire Protection District on its achievement of Accredited Agency status and thank the officers, firemedics, and staff for their tireless dedication; and

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Countryside Fire Protection District as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 477

Offered by Representative Watson:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to recognize milestones in the lives of citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Ray Menke, Clerk of the Village of Brussels, will be celebrating 50 years of service with the Village of Brussels; and

WHEREAS, Raymond "Ray" Joseph Menke was born in Brussels on July 13, 1928 to Joseph and Elizabeth (Rose) Menke; he was married to Marge Pohlman on November 17, 1956 at St. Mary's Church in Brussels; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menke became the Village Clerk in June of 1954 after the death of his father, who had held the position for many years; he has served under several mayors including Paul Mossman, Frank Mossman, Joe Pohlman, Lawrence Flanigan, Dr. Robert Held, Bonnie Held, Minard Kinder, Larry Eberlin, and the present mayor, Sarah A. Kinder; one highlight of his time as clerk was his passion for the Village to purchase the Charles Burch property; he put his heart and soul into that project; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menke valiantly served his country in the Korean War from 1951 to 1953; he owned Menke's tavern for 2 years and sold the business to his brother Richard in 1958; in addition to serving as Village Clerk, Mr. Menke worked in construction for several years and retired from Local 660 St. Charles, Missouri in 1991; he has always had a passion for bookkeeping, which is why he has enjoyed his work as Village Clerk for so long; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menke is a lifetime member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the American Legion Post 685; he and his wife enjoy their trips to the casino and he especially enjoys woodworking in his retirement; he is the father of Nancy (Don) Moennig and Peggy (Dave) Weiner; he is the grandfather of Jill and Allison Moennig and Kyle and Bryan Weiner; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we offer our heartiest congratulations to Raymond J. Menke on his 50 years of devotion to the Village of Brussels, and we thank him for his hard work and dedication; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Menke as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 480

Offered by Representative Madigan:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Army Pfc. Adam Thomas on August 31, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Army Pfc. Thomas was one of two Army snipers killed during an intense 90 minute gun battle near the Pakistani border; and

WHEREAS, Army Pfc. Thomas joined the Army in August 2001 and was assigned to the 10th Mountain Division, based at Fort Drum; he had served in Afghanistan in 2002 and returned after his orders came in June 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas lived in the south suburbs until he was 15 years old; he attended Stagg High School in Palos Hills before he moved to La Plata, Missouri in 1997; he graduated from La Plata High School in 2000 where he was an all-star baseball player; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Army Pfc. Adam Thomas has been deeply felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his mother, Ellen DeGolyer Thomas, his father and stepmother, Jeff Thomas and Cindy Thomas; a brother; two sisters; a half brother; a stepbrother; a stepsister; his maternal grandmother; and his paternal grandparents; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Army Pfc. Adam Thomas, who will be remembered as a hero of the United States Army; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Army Pfc. Adam Thomas and his willingness to serve our great nation which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Army Pfc. Adam Thomas as an expression of our deepest sympathy during their time of bereavement.



## HOUSE RESOLUTION 481

Offered by Representative Osterman:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to honor Kathryn "Kitty" Cole for her many contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cole has to her credit 10 years of service with Lakefront Supportive Housing and 20 years of service to the cause of affordable housing and community development; for the past 10 years, she has diligently committed herself to Lakefront's mission to end homelessness and the impact of her efforts will long be a part of Lakefront's legacy; under her leadership, Lakefront has successfully sited 10 supportive housing projects; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure at Lakefront Supportive Housing, Ms. Cole created the Community and Government Affairs Division; she launched a Tenant Leadership (Organizing) Project, and with her team, the work of this project has registered 82% of Lakefront tenants to vote and has developed the talents of many tenants who have become active advocates and leaders in their communities; she created the Technical Assistance and Consulting program that assisted more than 33 organizations in the development of hundreds of units of affordable, supportive housing in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cole is the co-founder of the Illinois Supportive Housing Providers' Association, a statewide network of supportive housing providers; she was a key leader in the effort to create an annualized budget for supportive services for supportive housing in the Department of Human Services, totaling \$3.5 million each year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cole has been the recipient of many awards during her career; she most recently received a Lifetime Achievement in Advocacy award from the National Alliance to End Homelessness and the Corporation for Supportive Housing; she also received LaSalle Bank's Tom Gobby Award; she has served on many boards, which include the Chicago Rehab Network, the Partnership to End Homelessness, and Scrap Mettle Soul; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor Kathryn "Kitty" Cole for her many contributions to the community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Cole as an expression of our respect and esteem and with many thanks for her innumerable contributions to the community.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 482

Offered by Representative Flider:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish to thank William C. "Chris" Olsen and Debbie Olsen of Decatur for their many years of hard work and dedication to the community and for being the recipients of the Easter Seals Central Illinois 2003 Seal of Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Olsen has been active in the Decatur community for many years in numerous capacities; he served as a board member of the Decatur Athletic Council from 1991 until 2000, and as president of that organization from 1992 to 2000; he served as a board member for Macon Resources from 1990 until 1994, as vice president from 1994 to 1995, and as president from 1995 until 1997; he was a board member of the Millikin Alumni Association from 1995 until 1998 and was president of the association from 1997 until 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Olsen served as a board member of the Richland Community College Foundation from 1999 to 2001; he has served as a board member of the Metro Decatur Chamber of Commerce since 2000 and chairman from 2001 to 2002; he is a board member of the Illinois State Chamber (2000-present), the Economic Development Corporation of Decatur and Macon County (2002-present), and the Decatur Public Schools Foundation (1999-present), where he served as chairman from 2001 until this year; he is currently a board member of the Country Club of Decatur as well; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Olsen is a graduate of the Decatur Leadership Institute and generously volunteers his time with several organizations, including Special Olympics, Easter Seals, Meals on Wheels, and the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, In the past, Mr. Olsen has served on many boards and in many organizations, including Tri Cities YMCA (Granite City 1980), Illinois State University Business Advisory Council (1987-1990),

Illinois Wesleyan Associates (1987-1990), United Way-Bloomington (1988-1990), United Way Campaign-Bloomington (chairman, 1990), McLean County Chamber of Commerce (1988-1990, vice president 1990), Occupational Development Center (1988-1990), and the Illinois State Redbird Scholarship Fund (1987-1990); he was a member of the Rotary Club of Bloomington from 1987 until 1990, the Early Bird Kiwanis Club of Decatur from 1984 to 1986, and the Jaycees of Decatur from 1978 to 1979; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Olsen has also been a very active member of her community and has worked on the Komen Decatur Race for the Cure as the Survivor Celebration chair, the Auction chair, the Fun and Fit chair, and the Pasta Party chair; she is a member of the United Way Cabinet, serving as the Health Care division co-chair; she is a lifetime member of Junior Welfare; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Olsen is a member of the Millikin-Decatur Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors and has served as the vice president, the Ways and Means chair, and the Symphony of Trees general chair; she has served as the president of the Eisenhower Elite Energy Show Choir Parent's Booster Club and as a member of the Eisenhower Athletic Booster Board, the Thomas Jefferson Middle School Booster Board, and the Baum School PTA Board; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Olsen has served as the Gift Shop co-chair/buyer on the Decatur Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; she has served on the Millikin Alumnae Board and the Alumnae Advisory Corp of Pi Beta Phi; she served as president of the Bloomington Normal Symphony Board and of the Women's Center at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bloomington; she was the vice president of the Easter Seals Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Olsen have served together in many capacities; they are both members at St. Paul's Lutheran Church; they served as the general co-chair for the Children's Museum Gala, as the general co-chair for Corks and Forks, which is sponsored by the Decatur Arts Council, and are the present social chairs for the Country Club of Decatur; they were the honorary co-chairs for "One Light to Remember", sponsored by the Decatur Memorial Foundation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank Mr. and Mrs. William C. "Chris" Olsen for their profound and extensive contributions to their communities, and we congratulate them on being the recipients of the Easter Seals Central Illinois 2003 Seal of Excellence Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Chris and Debbie Olsen as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 483

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The Central Christian Church in Mt. Vernon was organized on October 3, 1853 and is celebrating its sesquicentennial anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The congregation struggled for 21 years, disbanded for 12 years, and used a house of worship for 26 years; the church is a nondenominational fellowship of believers in Jesus Christ who have no creeds but Christ, no book but the Bible and no name but Christian; and

WHEREAS, By 1915, the congregation was outgrowing its building so they built a new structure at Tenth and North Street in Mt. Vernon; this structure was dedicated in 1916 and is still in use today for classrooms, chapel, prayer room, and Counseling Center; and

WHEREAS, In early 1950, it was decided that a new auditorium was needed and in 1956 the new worship auditorium was built; and

WHEREAS, As time progressed and the church continued to disciple followers for Jesus, it found itself in need of more space; it was also decided that a Family Life Activity Center would be helpful to the growth of the church; so the plans were made and construction began; on April 14, 1991, the building was dedicated to the Lord's Service; and

WHEREAS, The Central Christian Church has reached its 150th anniversary with a vision for the future and a goal of being faithful to God's will; the church's attendance has grown to 950 to 1000 in worship; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the Central Christian Church on the occasion of its sesquicentennial anniversary of service to the citizens of Mt. Vernon; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Jamie Allen, Preaching Minister, as an expression of our respect and esteem.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 484

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Wilbert and Irene Palm of Carlyle on September 5, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palm was born on April 30, 1931 in Washington County, the daughter of William and Anna Nottmeyer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Palm was born on May 20th, 1917 in Woodford County, the son of William and Mary Palm; on September 14th, 1968, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hoffman, the two were united in marriage; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Palm retired as a mechanic at Rommelmann Implement in Ferrin and operated his own auto repair shop on the Boulder Road; he served in the United States Army during World War II; his wife, Irene, had formerly worked at the Hoffman Supermarket; they worked together making and refinishing furniture; she enjoyed quilting and cooking, and they both took pride in gardening; they were members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Ferrin, and were custodians at church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Palm are survived by a daughter, Beverly Jobses and her husband Keith; a son, Gary Palm and his wife, Lisa; their four grandchildren, Mike Palm and his wife Linda, Melissa Cantrill and her husband Todd, Kelly Pfiffner and her husband Paul, and Kristie Beer; six great grandchildren, Travis, Taylor, Tanner, Haley, Allyson, and Tessa; Irene's brother, Carl Nottmeyer; and many nieces and nephews; and

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Wilbert and Irene Palm along with all who knew and loved them and extend our sincere condolences to their family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Wilbert and Irene Palm as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 485

Offered by Representative Ryg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Tony Altieri on his promotion to the position of State Commander of AMVETS; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Altieri served in the Illinois National Guard from March of 1955 until he was honorably discharged in March of 1963; he had attained the rank of Sergeant E-5; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Altieri has been a life member of AMVETS Phillip Carpenter Post 66 since 1991; he has held a variety of offices in Post 66, including 3rd Vice Commander, Jr. Vice Commander, Sr. Vice Commander, and Commander; he was named Post 66 AMVET of the Year in 1997;

WHEREAS, Mr. Altieri has also been very active in the Post 66 Building Corporation; under his leadership as Trustee and Vice President, the Post 66 Building Corporation has been completely renovated and redecorated including the replacement of 3 heating and air conditioning units, replacement of all of the kitchen appliances, and enlargement and upgrading of the parking lots; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with Post 66, Mr. Altieri has also been active with the Department of Illinois AMVETS; he was Sr. Vice Commander from 1998 to 1999; Commander from 1999-2000; Adjutant from 2000 to 2002; Chairman of several committees in 2000, 2001, and 2002; Illinois Provost Marshal from 2000 to 2001; and the alternate delegate to the Combined Veterans Association of Illinois from 2001 through 2002; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Altieri is also active in various other organizations; he has served in various offices of the Wheeling Jaycees, as Commissioner of the Palwaukee Municipal Airport since 1985, as museum curator for the Wheeling Historical Society from 1987 to 1991, and as a Wheeling Village Trustee from 1983 to 1991; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Altieri is also a devoted family man; he and his wife have raised 5 sons and 2 daughters and are the proud grandparents of 19 grandchildren; therefore be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Tony Altieri on his promotion to the position of State Commander of AMVETS; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Altieri as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 486

Offered by Representative Stephens:

WHEREAS, The members of this Body are honored to recognize significant milestones in the lives of the people of this State; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Ms. Leta Plocher of Highland recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of her birth; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Plocher was born September 19, 1903; she is the oldest of 5 children who grew up on a farm 6.5 miles east of Highland; she married Orville Plocher in 1923; Mr. Plocher passed away in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Plocher is the proud mother of 4 children; her three daughters are Jaunita Flamm, Janice Johns, and Jo Miller; her son is O. John Plocher; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Plocher remains very active as a centenarian; she credits her long life and good health to staying away from alcoholic beverages and keeping a busy schedule; she reads, works crossword puzzles, makes small quilts, plays bingo twice a week, and attends Bible study and Sunday evening worship at Highland Home; she continues to feed her love of flowers by maintaining both a window ledge garden and an outdoor flower patch; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Ms. Leta Plocher on attaining a milestone in her life with her 100th birthday, and we extend to Ms. Plocher our sincere best wishes for the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Leta Plocher as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 488

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Craig S. Washington who recently joined the City Colleges of Chicago as the sixth President of Olive-Harvey College in August of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Washington received his Ed.D. in Counseling Psychology and Organizational Development from the University of Massachusetts; he is a graduate of the Fellows Program in Organizational and Community Systems from the John Hopkins University and he also received a Certificate in the Management Development Program at Harvard University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Washington is a capable administrator with more than twenty-seven years of experience in former roles of Executive for the National Wellness Institute, Inc., in Stevens Point, Wisconsin; as Executive Administrator to the Chancellor of the Pinta County Community College District, both in Tucson, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Washington's accomplishments in higher education include serving as: Vice President of Instruction at Eastfield College in the Dallas County Community College District, in Dallas, Texas, and as Division Chair of several academic and technical divisions at Northern Virginia Community College, the Johns Hopkins University, Howard University, George Mason University, and American University; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dr. Craig S. Washington on his recent appointment as the sixth President of Olive-Harvey College and wish him good health and happiness in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Craig S. Washington, Ed.D. as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 489

Offered by Representative Monique Davis:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Reverend Elmer L. Fowler of Chicago on Wednesday, May 28, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Fowler is the Founder and Pastor Emeritus of the Third Baptist Church of Chicago; he organized the church in March of 1963 with eight members and built it into one of the largest churches on Chicago's south side; he served as pastor until his retirement in December of 1992, when he turned over the mantle of leadership to Rev. Dr. Alan V. Ragland, who now served the church as its senior pastor; upon his retirement, Rev. Fowler was also given the honored status of Pastor Emeritus; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Elmer Fowler was known throughout Chicagoland and the nation as a committed pastor, a civil rights activist, a renowned public leader, and a passionate historian of African American culture through photographs; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Fowler's passing will be deeply felt by his family and friends; a memorial service will be held to celebrate the life, ministry, and legacy of Rev. Fowler on Saturday, June 7, 2003 at the Third Baptist Church in Chicago; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Reverend Elmer L. Fowler along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Reverend Elmer L. Fowler as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 490

Offered by Representative Monique Davis:

WHEREAS, Fernwood United Methodist Church has served as a beacon in the Chicago community with a broad array of services including computer classes, senior programs, energy assistance, and youth enrichment services; it is a small church committed to service, character, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Reverend Albert R. Sampson has served as Pastor of Fernwood United Methodist Church for the past 28 years of his 47 years in the ministry; and

WHEREAS, On Sunday, June 29, 2003, the members of Fernwood United Methodist Church will host an Anniversary Dinner Celebration to honor Pastor Rev. Sampson for his dedicated service in the ministry; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor Pastor Reverend Albert R. Sampson for his many years of dedicated service to Fernwood United Methodist Church and to the Chicago community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Pastor Rev. Albert R. Sampson as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 491

Offered by Representative Monique Davis:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Willie Wilson of Chicago on being honored for his unselfish contributions to his community as a member of the National Black McDonald's Owner Operators Association (NBMCA); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson has been a successful McDonald's owner/operator for the past 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson, the son of a sharecropper, was born in Gilbert, Louisiana; he had one initial dream, to make life easier for his hard working parents who worked from sun up to sun down in the fields; and

WHEREAS, Armed with this dream, young Mr. Wilson left home only to find himself in a Florida work camp he likened to slavery; he had never finished the eighth grade and was forced to work for very little; throughout this time of financial difficulty, Mr. Wilson was rich in his dreams of becoming an entrepreneur; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson eventually relocated to Chicago and began mopping floors at a McDonald's Restaurant for \$2 an hour; he never thought he would one day own four of these restaurants; one day he asked Ray Kroc, the founder of the McDonald's chain, to give him his own store, and the rest is history; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson sold three of his restaurants and today has the "Singsation" gospel show aired on WGN-TV each Sunday; he is chairman of Gemini Electronics LLC, a minority-owned, full-service telecommunications company and is the founder/CEO of Omar Medical Supplies Inc., which supplied 100,000 medical and healthcare supplies and is named after his late son; he also produces gospel records and is an ordained minister; and

WHEREAS, A multimillionaire today, Mr. Wilson enjoys giving away hundreds of thousands of dollars a year to civic causes including churches, especially those having youth and elderly programs; he sold his last McDonald's Restaurant, located in Chicago, and today is a McDonald's supplier; and

WHEREAS, The National Black McDonald's Owner Operators Association (NBMCA) is honoring Mr. Wilson at a reception on October 8, 2003 at the Westin Hotel in Chicago; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor Willie Wilson for his many achievements and contributions and wish him health and happiness in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Willie Wilson as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 493

Offered by Representative Capparelli:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate James E. Sachay of Chicago on being the recipient of the O'Hare Wings of Vision Award given by Chicago O'Hare International Airport; and

WHEREAS, The O'Hare Wings of Vision Award is given to a person who has provided a significant contribution to the O'Hare Airport community, exemplified in years of sincere dedication and friendly willingness to be of service to all at the airport; the recipient is considered to be an example to all who work to make Chicago O'Hare International Airport the finest in the world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sachay serves as an Assistant Commissioner for the Department of Aviation, City of Chicago; he is married to Carole Ann Sachay and is the father of Caroline A. Sachay and Steven J. Sachay; he served 4 years in the U.S. Navy and was discharged as petty officer first class; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sachay previously worked as an administrative assistant to a U.S. Congressman; as Assistant to the Commissioner of Aviation; as Director of Program Evaluation with the Department of Housing, City of Chicago; and as a Labor Standards Analyst with the Illinois Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, Mr. Sachay returned to the Department of Aviation as an Assistant Commissioner, a position which he still holds today; as Assistant Commissioner, he is responsible for the cargo operation at O'Hare; after 6 months on the job, he was also given the responsibilities of managing the interim international terminal 4 operations; and

WHEREAS, As Director of Cargo, Mr. Sachay was responsible for resolving the delay in the Cargo Signage Program; he developed a paper for a "Chicagoland Association Affecting Air Cargo Committee"; he discovered and pursued the need for a "Cargo Economic Study"; as manager of the Interim International Terminal 4, he reduced the complaints of the tenants by 98 percent; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Mr. Sachay was assigned to manage the new International Terminal 5; he works closely with the airlines, ground handling companies, gate control, and U.S. government agencies to insure a safe and effective operation of that terminal; Terminal 5 is noted as one of the cleanest and well-run international terminals in the country, which contributed to Chicago O'Hare International Airport being chosen by the business International Travel Magazine as the best airport in North America for several

years; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate James E. Sachay on being named the recipient of the O'Hare Wings of Vision Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Sachay as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 494

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois would like to congratulate Habilitative Systems Inc. on the occasion of its 25th anniversary of providing vital services to thousands of Chicago's neediest citizens; and

WHEREAS, Habilitative Services' programs include residential services for homeless individuals, community living alternatives for developmentally disabled and mentally ill adults, substance abuse treatment, pre-employment and employment services for developmentally disabled and economically disadvantaged adults, affordable senior housing, and youth development programs; and

WHEREAS, At its peak in 1999, HSI served more than 10,000 persons annually in 52 programs at 27 sites on the west side of Chicago; following the tragedy of September 11, 2001, there were drastic cuts in social services, but with radical restructuring, consolidation, and staff shifts, HSI served over 7,000 persons in 49 programs at 22 sites; and

WHEREAS, In the last decade, annually, more than 400 jobs have been generated by HSI; hundreds of social workers, fresh out of college with no experience, have been trained and groomed at HSI for the social service field; and

WHEREAS, Habilitative Systems is the first minority agency in Chicago to enjoy double accreditations from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities and the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, On November 1, 2003, HSI will present its annual "Jazz with Pizzazz" fundraiser, which will feature a "Musical Salute to Tom Joyner"; Mr. Joyner and HSI share a common goal, which is to help those who are trying to better themselves; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Habilitative Services Inc. on the occasion of its 25th anniversary of providing vital services to thousands of Chicago's neediest citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Board of Directors of Habilitative Systems Inc. as an expression of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for a successful 25th anniversary celebration.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 495

Offered by Representative Madigan:

WHEREAS, A strong community newspaper system is essential to the success of our society; and

WHEREAS, On October 13, 1913, publisher A.S. Bushkevitz founded the Des Plaines Valley News; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bushkevitz established the tradition of service by naming his publication "The People's Paper"; and

WHEREAS, This tradition has been carried on for 9 decades by talented and dedicated successors including the John C. Noonan family since 1986; and

WHEREAS, There is no better example of a publication that serves its readers with comprehensive information about schools, village boards, recreational programs, and community social and civic programs; and

WHEREAS, The major events of the Illinois communities of Argo-Summit, Bedford Park, Bridgeview, Brookfield, Countryside, Hodgkins, Indian Head Park, Justice, Lyons, McCook, Willow Springs, and

LaGrange Highlands have been reported in the Des Plaines Valley News each week without interruption; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we offer our congratulations to the Noonan family and the other staff members of the Des Plaines Valley News on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of its founding, and we recognize the paper's outstanding accomplishments and service to the people of the State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Noonan family as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 496

Offered by Representative Madigan:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Brother T. Richard Day of Chicago on his retirement from the Chicago and Northeast Illinois District Council of Carpenters; and

WHEREAS, Brother Day started as a member of Local 839 and served his apprenticeship in March 1962; he became a Journeyman and then enlisted in the United States Navy Seabees and made two tours of Vietnam, working as a squad leader on various projects from bridges and water towers to ammunition bunkers and officers' quarters and clubs; after returning home in 1969, he returned to the Carpenters Union and became actively involved with Local 839; and

WHEREAS, Brother Day has been a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters for the past 41 years; he was the Business Manager of Carpenters Local Union #839 for 21 years, and an officer for 33 years serving as Recording Secretary and President; for the past 9 years he has served as the Political Director and Business Representative of the Chicago & Northeast Illinois District Council of Carpenters; and

WHEREAS, During his time of service as Political Director for the Council and for the past 30 years, he was personally involved in all aspects of the political process for "Electing The Friends of Working People"; he has spent countless hours of his time and devoted his efforts and experience in helping candidates in their efforts for election; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he volunteered time and effort to many charitable organizations and groups such as the Muscular Dystrophy Association and the Children's Advocacy Center; he served as the Chairman of the Village Planning Commission for Streamwood, where he reviewed the majority of construction projects for the village; and

WHEREAS, Brother Day is supported in his personal life by his wife, Patricia, and his children, Tatia, Randolph, and Elizabeth; and his two grandchildren, Jacob and Zachary; and

WHEREAS, A Retirement Dinner/Dance will be held on November 8, 2003 at the Sheraton Chicago Northwest in honor of Brother T. Richard Day; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Brother T. Richard Day on his retirement after many years of dedicated service to the Chicago and Northeast Illinois District Council of Carpenters and wish him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Brother T. Richard Day as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 498

Offered by Representative McGuire:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Mary Jo Albritton Smith of Joliet on April 10, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Smith attended St. Patrick's grade school and St. Francis Academy in Joliet; she continued her education at St. Joseph's School of Nursing and became a registered nurse; she received her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing from College of St. Francis while working and raising a family; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Smith worked for the U.S. Army as a nurse in Frankfurt, Germany after graduating



nursing school; she then came back to Joliet and worked at St. Joseph's Hospital first as a Medical Surgical nurse; she then spent thirteen years as an emergency room nurse; she became the Head Nurse of the Bethany Unit at St. Joseph's and following this position, she became the Executive Director of the Joliet Area Community Hospice; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Smith held offices with the Illinois State Hospice organization as a Secretary, a member of the Board of Directors, and as Vice President; she was also a board member of the State of Illinois Education Committee on Hospice from 1986 to 1991 and chaired that committee from 1987 to 1990; and

WHEREAS, While director of the Joliet Area Community Hospice, it became Medicare/Medicaid certified; she secured the donation of the current hospice building and arranged for the donation of most of the material and labor to make the building into the hospice headquarters; she worked to obtain donations to expand the hospice programs, and she initiated partnerships with nursing homes as well as St. Joseph's and Silver Cross hospitals; additionally, she served on both the State and National Boards of Hospice; she taught and lectured extensively with regards to hospice; and

WHEREAS, After seven years as Director, she had to retire due to Multiple Sclerosis; even though her physical abilities became limited, her mind did not; she became co-facilitator of the first local M.S. office in Joliet; she ran a grief support group at her church, St. Jude's, with help from the deacons at the church; she was on the board of directors and past president of the Center for Independent Living; and

WHEREAS, In 1997, she received the Mercedes Excellence Award for Volunteering, Chicago Greater Illinois Chapter National M.S. Society, and in 1998, she was awarded the United Way award for volunteering for the Will Grundy Center for Independent Living; Mrs. Smith was named the 2003 Irish Citizen of the Year by the St. Jude Church and School; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Smith was an excellent role model for people who acquire disabilities later in life; her passing has been deeply felt by many, especially her husband, Robert C. Smith, and her sons, Robert C. Smith, II and Michael E. Smith; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Mary Jo Albritton Smith, who was a citizen that truly worked for the good of all; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mary Jo Albritton Smith as an expression of our sincerest condolences.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 499

Offered by Representative McGuire:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish to congratulate the members of Faith Lutheran Church of Joliet on the occasion of their 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Faith Lutheran Church in Joliet was founded on September 13, 1953; the first worship services were held at Pershing Elementary School in Joliet; the current building was dedicated in January of 1957; and

WHEREAS, Faith Lutheran Church has been served by 6 pastors in its history; they are Reverend J.J. Lippoldt, 1953 to 1967; Reverend Charles R. Streich, 1967 to 1969; Reverend Harold J. Bolm, 1969 to 1980; Reverend Paul J. Olson, 1981 to 1988; Reverend Rodney A. Juell, 1988 to 1999; and Reverend Todd C. Napoli, 2000 to the present; and

WHEREAS, Faith Lutheran Church has a long history of being active in ecumenical and community service events; the growing congregation has recently completed a set of building improvements; and

WHEREAS, The mission statement of Faith Lutheran Church is "Sharing the love of God"; current church goals include feeding the hungry, connecting with new neighbors, growing caring relationships, and engaging adults in Christian education; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the members of Faith Lutheran Church of Joliet on the occasion of their 50th anniversary on September 13, 2003; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the members of Faith Lutheran Church as an expression of our respect and esteem and with our many thanks for their years of community service in Joliet.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 500

Offered by Representative McGuire:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are honored to recognize milestone events in the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Richard "Yug" Yudzentis, a business representative of Cement Masons Local 11 Area 161, has announced his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yudzentis, a 36-year member of Local 11, also served as a delegate to the Will-Grundy Building Trades Council and is a volunteer board member for Hospice of Will and Grundy County; he has donated his time and skills as a Cement Mason to various United Way agencies; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yudzentis was a dedicated trade unionist who always put the members first; and

WHEREAS, Richard Yudzentis and his wife, Nancy, have two children and reside in Plainfield; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Richard Yudzentis on his retirement from the Cement Mason Local 11 Area 161 and we wish him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Richard Yudzentis as an expression of our esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 501

Offered by Representative McGuire:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the congregation of St. George Serbian Orthodox Church of Joliet on the occasion of its 75th Anniversary on Sunday, November 2, 2003; and

WHEREAS, St. George Serbian Orthodox Church was established in 1928 by Serbian immigrants who came to the United States at the turn of the twentieth century; three generations of the descendents of these founding members continue to cherish the heritage left with them; and

WHEREAS, St. George Serbian Orthodox Church has had substantial growth through the years; the church has been providing services for the community for over 25 years; it expanded in the 1970s and 1980s, which included building a new facility as well as a social center; and

WHEREAS, The presence of St. George Serbian Orthodox Church in the City of Joliet for 75 years has been a contributing factor to many of the accomplishments of the City; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we offer our congratulations to the congregation of St. George Serbian Orthodox Church on the occasion of its 75th anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to St. George Serbian Orthodox Church as an expression of our esteem and with many wishes for future success.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 502

Offered by Representative Hamos:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to recognize milestone events in the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has made positive contributions to the lives of thousands of people with disabilities in the State of Illinois over the course of five decades; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has vigorously advocated on behalf of Anixter Center and its clients for the past 34 years, including 20 years as President and CEO; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst extended the mission of Anixter Center to give people with disabilities a powerful voice in Springfield through a Government Action Committee as well as employee and client

government action committees; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has taken a leadership role as a board member of his State association and for the past 3 years by leading a regional provider group called the Metro Chicago Human Service Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has been honored several times over for his contributions to social services in Illinois, and is known throughout the Chicagoland non-profit world; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has been a devoted father, husband and grandfather who is quick to show pictures of loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has an endearing personality that leaves a memorable impression on those he encounters; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst loathes bottled water and abhors physical exercise; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Ferst has dedicated much of his life to the ideals of inclusion and empowerment for people with disabilities and is now entering into retirement; therefore be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our thanks to Stuart Ferst for his years of accomplishment serving people with disabilities and wish him the best of luck in his retirement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Stuart Ferst as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 503

Offered by Representative Monique Davis:

WHEREAS, Education is one of the most noble pursuits one can undertake; the training of the future generation is an essential task, for which many are not suited; when a person stands out in this field, it is appropriate that we recognize the valuable contributions the individual has made; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vera L. Green served the Chicago Public Schools with faithful service and dedication for 45 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Green has played an important part in the on-going effort to provide students with a quality education and has left an indelible mark on the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Green's extensive and unselfish contributions to the education of the children has been invaluable and has provided a firm foundation upon which they can build worthwhile goals for learning and life; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her many years of service to the children of the Chicago Public Schools, Mrs. Green has been recognized by numerous organizations for her knowledge of curriculum and her experience in the education arena; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank Mrs. Vera L. Green for her many years of unselfish service and devotion to the children of the Chicago Public Schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Green as an expression of our sincere appreciation for her years of devotion to the students of the Chicago Public Schools.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 504

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to thank the members of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Theta Mu Lambda Chapter for their extensive work with young people; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha firmly believes in creating resources, leadership skills, and tools for youth to realize their full potential; they are dedicated to building a foundation for the educational and personal development of the future leaders of their community; the goal of Alpha Phi Alpha is to increase scholarship initiatives and expand the scope of their existing programs to more effectively address the needs of the youth of their community; and

WHEREAS, Some of the community services Alpha Phi Alpha provides include the administration of legislative scholarships, scholarship awards funded by the Theta Mu Lambda Charitable Foundation, the "Leaders of Tomorrow" mentorship program, and Project Alpha leadership training and college tours, along with many other educational programs; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank the members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Theta Mu Lambda Chapter, for their extensive contributions to the young people of their community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 505

Offered by Representative Scully:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish to congratulate George Patt on the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patt began his career with the Association of REALTORS in September of 1970 at the Lake County Board of REALTORS; since that time, he has served as the Director of Member Services of the Illinois Association of REALTORS, the Executive Vice President of the Danville Area Board of REALTORS, as Executive Vice President of the DuPage Board of REALTORS, as Executive Vice President of the Naples Board of REALTORS in Florida, as State Executive Vice President of the Oklahoma Association of REALTORS, as Executive Vice President of the Greater South Suburban Association of REALTORS, and as Executive Vice President of the REALTOR Association of the West/South Suburban Chicagoland; he also served as the President of the Real Estate Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Mr. Patt has set a standard of excellence wherever he has been and has always left the organizations he has served better than he found them; he served as Chairman of the National Association of REALTORS Executive Officers Committee, served twice as Chair of the Illinois Executive Officers Committee, has served the National Association as the Executive Committee representative in 1994, as a member of the Executive Officers Seminar Board of Governor's from 1983 through 1986, and he served as Dean of the Seminar in 1987; he has also served on the NAR's Board of Directors in 1985, 1991, and 1994, as well as being a member of the MLS Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patt is a recipient of a Presidential Medallion from the Illinois Association of REALTORS, which is one of the highest awards given by IAR, and he is one of only 8 executive officers to receive such an award in the history of the association; he was the 1996 recipient of the William R. Magel Award, an award given by the National Association of REALTORS to an individual who has truly excelled in his or her role as an executive officer of a local or state association of REALTORS and who is active in the REALTOR organization at the time of nomination; he is a Bud Smith Society recipient and was given the Illinois Association of REALTORS Lifetime Achievement Award this year; he is a recipient of the Illinois Association of REALTORS Distinguished Service Award as well; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patt is a respected speaker in his field; he was asked to speak at the Association of Executives Institute several times as well as being a speaker at the 1991 Canadian Real Estate Association Executives Institute in Toronto, Canada; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Mr. George Patt on the occasion of his retirement after over 30 years as a respected member of the real estate community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Patt as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 506

Offered by Representatives Rose and Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Paul C.

Lauterbur of Champaign on receiving the 2003 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lauterbur is a pioneer in the development of magnetic resonance imaging and a faculty member at the University of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lauterbur was among the first scientists to use nuclear magnetic resonance in the studies of molecules, solutions, and solids; he was the first researcher to produce an image with NMR and apply the technology to medicine; this led to the development of the magnetic resonance imaging scanner, which has had a revolutionary impact on the medical profession; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Paul C. Lauterbur on being awarded the 2003 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine and wish him well in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Paul C. Lauterbur as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 507

Offered by Representatives Rose and Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Carl R. Woese of Champaign on being presented the Crafoord Prize in Biosciences from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in Sweden; and

WHEREAS, This annual prize marks accomplishments in scientific fields not covered by the Nobel Prizes in science, which the academy also selects; he is the Stanley O. Ikenberry Endowed Chair at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and honored for "his discovery of a third domain of life" according to the academy; and

WHEREAS, The king of Sweden presented the prize to Mr. Woese on September 24, 2003 at the end of a three-day symposium devoted to the "Phylogeny and Evolution of Microorganisms; he concluded the symposium with a keynote address on "The Archaea and What They Represent"; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Carl R. Woese on being presented the prestigious Crafoord Prize in Biosciences from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences and wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Carl R. Woese as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 508

Offered by Representatives Rose and Jakobsson:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate Dr. Anthony J. Leggett on winning the 2003 Nobel Prize in physics; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leggett is a world leader in the theory of low-temperature physics and a faculty member at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; he was lauded for pioneering contributions to the theory of superconductors and superfluids; his discovery, that superfluids exhibit the same properties observed in quantum mechanics, can be used to help test whether the laws of quantum physics hold on a large scale; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leggett holds the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Chair of Physics and is a professor in the Center of Advanced Study at the University of Illinois; he shaped the theoretical understanding of normal and superfluid helium liquids and other strongly coupled superfluids; in the 1970s, he formulated a decisive theory explaining how atoms interact and are ordered in the superfluid state of the rare isotope He-3; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leggett's groundbreaking theoretical work has helped provide a better understanding of both high-temperature superconductivity and low-temperature superfluidity; he was cited in the announcement of the 1996 Nobel Prize in physics for assisting the prize winners in their interpretation of the experiments that led to a breakthrough in low-temperature physics; his areas of research also have

included foundations of quantum mechanics and the thermal and acoustic properties of glass; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dr. Anthony J. Leggett on being named a winner of the 2003 Nobel Prize in physics; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Leggett as an expression of our respect and esteem.

### AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 464, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 475, 476, 477, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 488, 489, 490, 491, 493, 494, 495, 496, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507 and 508 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the Agreed Resolutions were adopted.

### RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on November 4, 2003, HOUSE RESOLUTION 518 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Boland moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the Resolution was adopted.

### ACTION ON VETO MOTIONS

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Madigan moved that HOUSE BILL 3412 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

116, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 2)

The motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Hoffman moved to accept the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change to HOUSE BILL 313, by adoption of the following amendment:

### MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 313 in manner and form as follows:

#### AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 313

#### IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 313 as follows:

on page 1, line 28, by adding the following sentence after "Code.":

"In implementing and enforcing the provisions of this Section, the Department and other authorized State

agencies shall do so in a manner that is not inconsistent with any applicable federal law or regulation so that no federal funding or support is jeopardized by the enactment or application of these provisions."; and on page 3, line 11, by adding the following language after "passengers":

"are only exempted to the extent that the safety testing requirements applicable to such vehicles in the state of registration are no less stringent than the safety testing requirements applicable to contract carriers that are lawfully registered in Illinois".

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

116, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 3)

This Motion, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence in the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Currie moved to accept the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change to HOUSE BILL 2545, by adoption of the following amendment:

#### MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 2545 in manner and form as follows:

#### AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2545

#### IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 2545 as follows:

by replacing line 26 on page 4 through line 7 on page 5 with the following:

"(d) (Blank)".

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

116, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 3)

This Motion, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence in the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Flider moved to accept the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change to HOUSE BILL 3048, by adoption of the following amendment:

#### MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 3048 in manner and form as follows:

#### AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3048

#### IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 3048 on page 2, by inserting after line 4 the following:

"The provisions of this Section shall not apply to federally funded construction projects if such application would jeopardize the receipt or use of federal funds in support of such a project."

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

111, Yeas; 5, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 5)

This Motion, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence in the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Biggins moved to accept the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change to HOUSE BILL 3080, by adoption of the following amendment:

MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 3080 in manner and form as follows:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3080

IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 3080 on page 1, line 22, by deleting "or special"; and  
on page 1, line 22, by deleting "of the county"; and  
on page 1, line 24, after "50,000", by inserting "or a decrease to 50,000 or fewer"; and  
on page 1, line 25, by replacing "and median levels of assessment" with "and the most recent year of the 3-year average level of assessments"; and  
on page 1, line 30, by replacing "less than 50,000" with "~~less than~~ 50,000 or fewer".

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

97, Yeas; 18, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 6)

This Motion, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence in the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Slone moved that HOUSE BILL 221 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

58, Yeas; 56, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 7)

Having failed to receive the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, the motion was declared lost.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Leitch moved that HOUSE BILL 429 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

116, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 8)

The Motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Daniels moved that HOUSE BILL 1087 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

114, Yeas; 0, Nays; 3, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 9)

The motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.



Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Jerry Mitchell moved that HOUSE BILL 1180 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

115, Yeas; 0, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 10)

The motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Capparelli moved that HOUSE BILL 2425 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

112, Yeas; 1, Nays; 3, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 11)

The motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Jones moved that HOUSE BILL 1480 do pass, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

109, Yeas; 0, Nays; 8, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 12)

The motion, having received the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, prevailed and the bill was declared passed, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Joseph Lyons moved to accept the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change to HOUSE BILL 1516, by adoption of the following amendment:

#### MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 1516 in manner and form as follows:

#### AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1516

#### IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 1516 on page 1, line 5, by deleting "12,"; and  
on page 1, by deleting lines 6 through 31; and  
by deleting all of pages 2 and 3; and  
on page 4, by deleting lines 1 through 10.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

86, Yeas; 29, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 13)

This Motion, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence in the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change.

### **SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS**

Pursuant to the motion submitted previously, Representative Grunloh moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 25 in relation to House Bill 3828.

The motion prevailed.

Pursuant to the motion submitted previously, Representative Flider moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 25 in relation to House Bill 3835.

The motion prevailed.

At the hour of 3:03 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Tuesday, November 5, 2003, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

November 04, 2003

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

117 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Delgado	P Leitch	P Phelps
P Aguilar	P Dunkin	P Lindner	P Pihos
P Bailey	P Dunn	P Lyons, Eileen	P Poe
P Bassi	P Eddy	P Lyons, Joseph	P Reitz
P Beaubien	P Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rita
P Bellock	P Flider	P Mautino	P Rose
P Berrios	P Flowers	P May	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Sacia
P Black	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	P Saviano
P Boland	P Froehlich	P McGuire	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Giles	P McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley, John	P Graham	P Mendoza	P Slone
P Bradley, Richard	P Granberg	P Meyer	P Smith
P Brady	P Grunloh	P Miller	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Hamos	P Millner	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Hannig	P Mitchell, Bill	P Stephens
P Burke	P Hassert	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sullivan
P Capparelli	P Hoffman	P Moffitt	P Tenhouse
P Chapa LaVia	P Holbrook	P Molaro	P Turner
P Churchill	P Howard	P Morrow	P Verschoore
E Collins	P Hultgren	P Mulligan	P Wait
P Colvin	P Jakobsson	P Munson	P Washington
P Coulson	P Jefferson	P Myers	P Watson
P Cross	P Jones	P Nekritz	P Winters
P Cultra	P Joyce	P Novak	P Wirsing
P Currie	P Kelly	P O'Brien	P Yarbrough
P Daniels	P Kosel	P Osmond	P Younge
P Davis, Monique	P Krause	P Osterman	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Steve	P Kurtz	P Pankau	
P Davis, Will	P Lang	P Parke	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 HOUSE BILL 3412  
 GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS-TECH  
 OVERRIDE AMENDATORY VETO  
 3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
 PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

116 YEAS

0 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 313  
VEH CD-SAFETY INSPECTIONS  
ACCEPT AMENDATORY VETO  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

116 YEAS

0 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
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Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 2545  
REDEPLOY ILLINOIS PROGRAM  
ACCEPT AMENDATORY VETO  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

116 YEAS

0 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
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Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 HOUSE BILL 3048  
 PROCUREMENT CODE-CONSTRUCTION  
 ACCEPT AMENDATORY VETO  
 PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

111 YEAS

5 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	N Sacia
N Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	N Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
N Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	N Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 HOUSE BILL 3080  
 ASSESSOR-STATE STIPEND  
 ACCEPT AMENDATORY VETO  
 PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

97 YEAS

18 NAYS

1 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	N Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	N Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	N Flider	Y Mautino	N Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	N May	N Ryg
Y Biggins	N Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	N Grunloh	Y Miller	N Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	N Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
N Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	N Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	N Jakobsson	N Munson	N Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	N Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	N Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	N Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	P Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 221  
SURPLUS STATE PROPERTY  
OVERRIDE TOTAL VETO  
LOST

November 04, 2003

58 YEAS

56 NAYS

1 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	N Leitch	N Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	N Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	N Dunn	N Lyons, Eileen	N Poe
N Bassi	N Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	N Reitz
N Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
N Bellock	N Flider	Y Mautino	N Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
N Biggins	Y Franks	N McAuliffe	N Sacia
N Black	Y Fritchey	N McCarthy	N Saviano
Y Boland	N Froehlich	Y McGuire	N Schmitz
N Bost	P Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
N Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
N Bradley, Richard	N Granberg	N Meyer	Y Smith
N Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	N Sommer
N Brauer	N Hamos	N Millner	Y Soto
N Brosnahan	N Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	N Stephens
Y Burke	N Hassert	N Mitchell, Jerry	N Sullivan
Y Capparelli	N Hoffman	Y Moffitt	N Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	N Holbrook	N Molaro	Y Turner
N Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	N Hultgren	Y Mulligan	N Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	N Myers	N Watson
N Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	A Winters
N Cultra	N Joyce	N Novak	N Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
N Daniels	N Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
N Davis, Steve	N Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	N Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 429  
HUMAN SERVICES 211 COLLABOR  
OVERRIDE TOTAL VETO  
3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

116 YEAS

0 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	A Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 HOUSE BILL 1087  
 AGING-FAMILY CAREGIVER HELP  
 OVERRIDE AMENDATORY VETO  
 AMENDATORY VETOES  
 3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
 PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

114 YEAS

0 NAYS

3 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	P Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	P Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 1180  
SCH CD-SPEC ED-TRANS-REIMBURSE  
OVERRIDE AMENDATORY VETO  
3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

115 YEAS

0 NAYS

2 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	P Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	Y Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Joyce	P Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 2425  
CURRENCY EXCHANGE BLANKET BOND  
OVERRIDE AMENDATORY VETO  
3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

112 YEAS

1 NAYS

3 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Fritchey	P McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	P Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	A Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	N Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	P Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 NINETY-THIRD  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 HOUSE ROLL CALL  
 HOUSE BILL 1480  
 BANKING DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
 OVERRIDE AMENDATORY VETO  
 3/5 VOTE REQUIRED  
 PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

109 YEAS

0 NAYS

8 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	P Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
Y Black	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Millner	Y Soto
P Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Capparelli	P Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
Y Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	P Washington
Y Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Cultra	P Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Krause	Y Osterman	P Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE BILL 1516  
CREDIT UNIONS BOARD POWERS  
ACCEPT AMENDATORY VETO  
PREVAILED

November 04, 2003

86 YEAS

29 NAYS

2 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
N Aguilar	Y Dunkin	N Lindner	N Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	N Poe
Y Bassi	N Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flider	Y Mautino	N Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	P Franks	N McAuliffe	N Sacia
N Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
N Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, John	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Granberg	N Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Grunloh	Y Miller	N Sommer
N Brauer	Y Hamos	N Millner	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Bill	N Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hassert	N Mitchell, Jerry	N Sullivan
Y Capparelli	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
N Churchill	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
E Collins	N Hultgren	Y Mulligan	N Wait
Y Colvin	Y Jakobsson	N Munson	Y Washington
N Coulson	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	N Watson
Y Cross	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	N Winters
N Cultra	Y Joyce	N Novak	N Wirsing
Y Currie	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Kosel	N Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	N Krause	Y Osterman	P Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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