

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Pharmacy is one of the oldest of the health
3 professions concerned with the health and well-being of all
4 people; and

5 WHEREAS, Today, there are over 195,000 pharmacists
6 practicing in the United States providing services to assure
7 the rational and safe use of all medications; and

8 WHEREAS, The use of medications, as a cost-effective
9 alternative to more expensive medical procedures, is becoming
10 a major force in moderating overall health care costs; and

11 WHEREAS, Today's powerful medications require greater
12 attention to the manner in which they are used by different
13 patient population groups, both clinically and
14 demographically; and

15 WHEREAS, It is important that all users of prescriptions
16 and non prescription medications, or their caregivers, be
17 knowledgeable about and share responsibility for their own
18 drug therapy; and

19 WHEREAS, The American Pharmacists Association, the
20 Illinois Pharmacists Association, and the Joint Commission of
21 Pharmacy Practitioners, have declared the final and complete
22 week of October as National Pharmacy Week with the theme
23 "Know Your Medicines-Know Your Pharmacist"; therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
25 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim October
26 19-25, 2003 as National Pharmacy Week and urge all citizens
27 to acknowledge the valuable services of pharmacists to
28 provide safe, affordable, and beneficial pharmaceutical care
29 services and products to all citizens; and be it further

30 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the Illinois Pharmacist Association with our
2 regards.