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SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois 3 learned with regret of the death of Robert Charles Boken, M.D., 4 on Sunday, May 2, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Boken was born on August 25, 1935, in St. 6 Paul, Minnesota, to Anne (Ryan) and Robert Boken; he was raised in Manhattan Beach, California; he graduated from Loyola High School (Los Angeles, California), Creighton, University, and Creighton University School of Medicine, where he earned Alpha Omega Alpha honors; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boken was married to his wife, Rose Ann, for 45 years; they highly valued the education of their children; all 9 children were college graduates, with several obtaining advanced degrees and 2 following in their father's footsteps as physicians; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boken was highly respected professionally and served as president of the medical staff at St. Vincent Medical Center in Los Angeles, California, during a career that spanned 5 decades; he was part of a medical group that was among the first physicians to manage hemodialysis treatment for patients with kidney failure; he retired from private practice in 1994; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Robert Charles Boken, M.D., has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Rose Ann; his children and their spouses, Annette, Paul (Lisa), Daniel (Lori Anne), John (Susan), Philip (Anna), Kathryn Welsh (Patrick), Michael (Patricia), Joseph, and Emily; his 16 grandchildren; his sister, Roberta Fisher (Charles); and their children and grandchildren; therefore, be it

- 1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 2 Dr. Robert Boken, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his
- 3 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to the family of Dr. Robert Boken as an expression of
- 7 our sincere condolences.