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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, There are more than 49,000 perianesthesia 3 registered nurses in the United States whose interests are 4 represented by one of our nation's premier specialty nursing 5 organizations, the American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses; 6 and

WHEREAS, Perianesthesia nurses practice in all phases of
preanesthesia and postanesthesia care, ambulatory surgery,
pain management, and special procedure areas; and

10 WHEREAS, The depth and breadth of the perianesthesia 11 nursing profession meets the varied and emerging health care 12 needs of the American population in a diversified range of 13 environments; and

14 WHEREAS, The American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses, as 15 the representative for the perianesthesia nurses of this 16 country, strives to advance nursing practice, through 17 education, research, and standards; and

18 WHEREAS, Perianesthesia nursing has been established as 19 essential in the quality of health care and safety of patients 20 in the hospital and ambulatory surgery settings; and

21 WHEREAS, The demand for perianesthesia nurses will only 22 increase due to an aging American population, advances in 23 medicine that are prolonging life, and the meteoric expansion 24 of home health care services; and

25 WHEREAS, The inestimable pre-eminent value of services and 26 care provided by perianesthesia nurses will be of paramount 27 importance to the American health care system; and

WHEREAS, Along with the American Society of PeriAnesthesia

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Nurses (ASPAN), the Illinois Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
(ILSPAN) has declared the week of February 6-12, 2006, as
"PeriAnesthesia Nurse Awareness Week" with the theme of:
"Perianesthesia Nurses...Exceptional People Touching Your
World" in celebration of the ways perianesthesia nurses strive
to advance nursing practices; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 8 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 9 we honor the perianesthesia nurses who care so unselfishly and 10 proficiently for us all; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That we recognize perianesthesia nurses' 12 accomplishments and efforts to improve the quality of patient 13 care and nursing practices, and we encourage all citizens to 14 show appreciation for our nation's perianesthesia nurses not 15 just during the designated week, but at every opportunity 16 throughout the year; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to the Illinois Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses as 19 an expression of our esteem.