



HR1105

LRB095 20478 GRL 48504 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Jackie L.
4 Anderson, who passed away on January 21, 2008; and

5 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson was born on September 25, 1951 in
6 Toledo, Ohio; her parents were Leon and Arlene Coberley; and

7 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson graduated from high school in
8 1969; after high school, she started a 36 year career with
9 AT&T, starting as a telephone operator; she eventually worked
10 her way up to management level as a property manager; and

11 WHEREAS, In February of 2006, Jackie Anderson was diagnosed
12 with Stage IV lung cancer; stunned by this news due to the fact
13 that she never smoked a day in her life, she became an advocate
14 for lung cancer research, making it her mission to educate
15 people that cancer was an equal opportunity disease that could
16 affect anyone; and

17 WHEREAS, To further her mission to raise awareness of
18 cancer, Jackie Anderson worked vigorously with Illinois State
19 Senator William Delgado and Illinois State Representative Luis
20 Arroyo and their offices to adopt Senate Joint Resolution 30
21 during the 95th General Assembly; the resolution designated the

1 month of November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month every year in
2 this State; she also received a proclamation stating that she
3 was essential in passing a resolution to designate November as
4 Lung Cancer Awareness month throughout the State; and

5 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson further involved herself in
6 spreading the word of lung cancer awareness by participating in
7 numerous cancer awareness events, including Cancer Awareness
8 Days and Strike Out Cancer, in which she was able to throw out
9 the first pitch at a Chicago White Sox game; she and her family
10 independently raised over \$3,000 for lung cancer research and
11 awareness; she proved to be an inspiration to all throughout
12 her illness; and

13 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson was selfless when it came to her
14 family and was a wonderful mother; her proudest moment was when
15 she became a loving and devoted grandmother to her grandchild,
16 Sofia; and

17 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson loved animals, particularly her
18 dogs, which were her constant companions; she enjoyed showing
19 her pugs at dog shows and entering dog agility trials; one of
20 her greatest achievements was when one of her dogs became a
21 show champion; and

22 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson was the beloved mother of

1 Stephanie (Andy) Blake; the devoted grandmother of Sofia; and
2 the fond sister of Brenda (Scott) Mueller, Colleen (Doug) Hall,
3 and Leon (Debra) Coberley; and

4 WHEREAS, Jackie Anderson will be remembered by all who knew
5 and loved her as an amazingly independent and courageous woman;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of Jackie
10 L. Anderson; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Jackie L. Anderson as an expression
13 of our sympathy.