



HR0091

LRB096 11101 KXB 21449 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, On Saturday, February 7, 2009, the DeKalb High
3 School Varsity boy's basketball team played the Milwaukee
4 Madison High School's boys basketball team in Milwaukee,
5 Wisconsin; and

6 WHEREAS, A player for the Madison High team had lost his
7 mother earlier in the day after a five-year battle with
8 cervical cancer; and

9 WHEREAS, The Coach for Madison High School, Aaron Womack
10 Jr. arrived late to the game, but indicated to the DeKalb
11 coaching staff the situation and told them that his team still
12 intended to play; and

13 WHEREAS, DeKalb Head Coach Dave Rohlman told Coach Womack
14 the team would be understanding of time constraints as well as
15 for the cancellation of the game; and

16 WHEREAS, During the second quarter of the game the player
17 whose mother had passed away arrived at the game, wanting to
18 play; Coach Womack had not entered the player's name into the
19 scorers book at the start of the game, believing he would not
20 participate; and

1 WHEREAS, The referee informed Coach Womack and the DeKalb
2 coaching staff that this player could play, but Madison High
3 would be charged with a technical foul; the DeKalb coaching
4 staff could be overheard stating that they would not take a
5 technical foul against Madison High; and

6 WHEREAS, When the young man from Madison High was put into
7 the game his school was charged with a technical foul; Darius
8 McNeal of DeKalb High School volunteered to shoot the free
9 throws; and

10 WHEREAS, When McNeal stepped to the free throw line he
11 purposefully missed both shots as a sign of DeKalb High's
12 discontent with Madison High being given a technical foul;
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
16 congratulate the DeKalb High School Varsity Basketball Team for
17 their good example, their good sportsmanship, their character,
18 their leadership, and their compassion for others; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the Superintendent of DeKalb School District 408
22 and the members and coaching staff of the DeKalb Varsity

1 Basketball Team as a symbol of our respect and esteem.