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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The administration of St. Elizabeth's Hospital in
3 Belleville recently unveiled its own version of the economic
4 stimulus program; and

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WHEREAS, Over the next several months the Hospital will
6 distribute over \$100,000 to its 1,750 employees through a
7 series of programs to help stimulate the Belleville economy;
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WHEREAS, By combining National Hospital Week and National
10 Nurses Week activities, the hospital found itself saving money,
11 and made the decision to help the local economy by giving cash
12 rewards, discounts cards, and other perks to its employees to
13 help stimulate the Belleville downtown economy; and

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WHEREAS, The hospital will give \$20 in cash to its 1,750
15 employees and volunteers on February 25, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Both the hospital employees and the downtown
17 Belleville merchants are excited about this innovative idea to
18 help the local economy; and

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WHEREAS, February 26, 2009 will be recognized as St.
20 Elizabeth's Hospital Employees' Appreciation Day in the City of

1 Belleville; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
3 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
4 congratulate the administration, staff, and volunteers of St.
5 Elizabeth's Hospital on this great idea to strengthen the local
6 economy; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Kevin Shrake, President and CEO of St. Elizabeth's
9 Hospital, as a symbol of our respect and esteem.