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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Vickie L.
4 (Schnake) Niederhofer of Hoyleton, who passed away on September
5 4, 2012; and

6 WHEREAS, Vickie Niederhofer was born on July 6, 1954, to
7 Richard and Imogene (Bierman) Schnake; she graduated from
8 Centralia High School in 1972 and attained a registered nursing
9 degree from Kaskaskia College in 1974; she married Joe
10 Niederhofer in 1975; she obtained a bachelor of science degree
11 in nursing from McKendree College in 1994; and

12 WHEREAS, Vickie Niederhofer worked as a Cottage Nurse at
13 Murray's Children Center from 1974 to 1985; she became Unit
14 Director and eventually Murray Center Director for 5 years; she
15 was Murray Center Administrator from 1985-1993, Residential
16 Services Director from 1993-2000, and Facility Director from
17 2000-2004; and

18 WHEREAS, Vickie Niederhofer attended Zion United Church of
19 Christ in Hoyleton; she was secretary of the Washington County
20 Food Pantry and loved spending time with her family and
21 friends; and

1 WHEREAS, Vickie Niederhofer was well-respected for her
2 outspoken advocacy and knowledge of Murray Center and the needs
3 of its residents; she was a tireless fighter to keep Murray
4 Center open and spearheaded efforts to build a coalition of
5 parents, employees, and community leaders for that cause; and

6 WHEREAS, Vicki Niederhofer will be remembered for her
7 endless compassion and care for those who resided at Murray
8 Center and their family and for the compassionate treatment for
9 those suffering from mental illness across the State; and

10 WHEREAS, Vickie Niederhofer is survived by her sons, Travis
11 Niederhofer (Stephanie House) and Adam Niederhofer (Ayla
12 Thorp); her brother, Randy Schnake (Angela); her nephews, Lucus
13 Schnake and Derrick Schnake; her niece, Abby Schnake; and many
14 aunts, uncles, and cousins; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we mourn the passing of Vickie Niederhofer, and we extend our
18 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
19 and loved her; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Vickie Niederhofer as an expression
22 of our deepest sympathy.