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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, State Senator Christine J. Johnson has
3 represented the citizens of Winnebago, Boone, Ogle, DeKalb, and
4 LaSalle County with distinction in the Senate for 2 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson's priorities have always been
6 those of the people she represents - promoting fiscal
7 responsibility, the protecting personal liberties, and
8 improving educational opportunities for all Illinois students;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson became a lawmaker to make the
11 State of Illinois a better place for current and future
12 citizens to live, work, raise a family, and start and grow a
13 business; and

14 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson most recently served as
15 Republican Spokesman of the Senate Higher Education Committee,
16 as member of the Senate Education Committee, as member of the
17 Senate Licensed Activities Committee, and as member of the
18 Senate Public Health Committee; and

19 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson worked on several legislative
20 measures, including service on the P-20 Council on Education
21 and the Legislative Medicaid Advisory Committee to create

1 Medicaid reform; and

2 WHEREAS, A number of local and state organizations have
3 recognized Senator Johnson for her legislative work, including
4 the Illinois Public Transportation Association as Legislator
5 of the Year, the Illinois Association of Regional Offices of
6 Education-Area 2 for outstanding service, and the Illinois Farm
7 Bureau; and

8 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson has been involved in many civic
9 and charitable organizations, including the Illinois County
10 Treasurers' Association, the DeKalb County Crime Stoppers
11 Board, the Rotary Club, the Indian Creek Education Foundation
12 Board, the Kishwaukee Health Foundation Board, the Kishwaukee
13 United Way Board, the American Red Cross and Meals on Wheels
14 program; and

15 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson has been recognized for her
16 efforts in her community, including being named a Paul Harris
17 Fellow by Rotary International and receiving the Northern
18 Illinois University College Republican's Conservative Leader
19 award, the Illinois County Treasurer Association's Treasurer
20 of the Year award, and the Zone IV County Treasurer of the Year
21 award; and

22 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson served as the DeKalb County

1 Treasurer from 1994 to February 2011; and

2 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson was born on March 14, 1960; she
3 graduated from Shabbona High School; and

4 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson earned a bachelor of arts degree
5 from Northern Illinois University in Journalism and Public
6 Relations; and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson is the only graduate of Northern
8 Illinois University to represent the main campus in the
9 Illinois Senate; and

10 WHEREAS, Senator Johnson and her husband, James, have been
11 married since 1983, and have one child; and

12 WHEREAS, In her 2 years as a senator, Senator Johnson has
13 represented her constituents with diligence and grace; and

14 WHEREAS, Lawmakers and staff alike appreciate Senator
15 Johnson for her zeal and passion for the people in her district
16 and the State; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Senator
19 Johnson on her retirement from the Illinois General Assembly

1 after 2 years of honorable and dedicated service; and be it
2 further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Senator Johnson with our friendship, our gratitude
5 for her hard work, and our best wishes for her future
6 endeavors.