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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 Colonel
4 Janet M. Kamer, Ph.D. of Wheaton, who passed away on February
5 6, 2014; and

6 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer retired from the United States
7 Air Force in March of 2013 after 26 years of service; and

8 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer received her Bachelor of Science
9 in Psychology from the Illinois Institute of Technology in
10 Chicago in 1971, her Master of Arts in Developmental Psychology
11 from Columbia University in New York in 1974, her Master of
12 Arts in Clinical Psychology from Loyola University in Chicago
13 in 1978, her Postgraduate Association in Neurology from Yale
14 University School of Medicine in 1980, and her Doctorate in
15 Clinical Psychology from Loyola University in Chicago in 1981;
16 she attended Squadron Officer School in 1994, Air Command and
17 Staff College in 1997, and the Air War College in 2000; and

18 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer was promoted to First Lieutenant
19 on August 7, 1987, to Captain on August 8, 1989, to Major on
20 March 10, 1994, to Lieutenant Colonel on September 18, 1998,
21 and to Colonel on April 1, 2006; and

1 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer began her military career as a
2 Clinical Psychologist with the 440th Airlift Wing, General
3 Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from
4 August of 1987 to December of 1988; she followed with
5 assignments as a Clinical Psychologist with the 928th Tactical
6 Airlift Group, O'Hare International Airport in Chicago from
7 December of 1988 to October of 1989; as a Clinical Psychologist
8 with the 88th Medical Group, Wright-Patterson Medical Center,
9 Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio from October of 1989 to November
10 2001; as a Clinical Psychologist, Deputy Director of
11 Neuropsychology, Operation Desert Storm, 88th Medical Group,
12 Wright-Patterson Medical Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13 from January of 1990 to April 1990; as Consultant for Combat
14 Stress Programs, Office of the Surgeon General, Air Force
15 Medical Support Agency, AFMSA/SGOC, Bolling Air Force Base,
16 Washington, D.C. from November of 2001 to January of 2004; as
17 Consultant for Combat Stress Programs, Deployment Health
18 Support Directorate, Office of the Assistant Secretary of
19 Defense for Health Affairs, Falls Church, Virginia from January
20 of 2004 to October of 2007; and as Command Consultant for
21 Psychology Headquarters Air Force Reserver Command, Office of
22 the Command Surgeon, Robbins AFB, Georgia from October of 2007
23 to March of 2013; she was deployed to Mexico in 2012 as team
24 lead for the Defense Institute of Medical Operations, 21st
25 Century Warrior; and

1 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer received numerous awards and
2 decorations including the Meritorious Service Medal with two
3 oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Air
4 Force Outstanding Unit award with three oak leaf clusters, the
5 Air Force Recognition Award, the National Defense Service Medal
6 with one service star, the Global War on Terrorism Service
7 Medal, the Air Force Longevity Service Award with five oak leaf
8 clusters, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one mobilization
9 device and silver hourglass, the Air Force Training Ribbon, and
10 the Medical Services Biomedical Sciences Corps Mobilization
11 Augmentee of the Year 2008; and

12 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer was an active supporter of many
13 veteran's causes; she was a board member of the Reserve
14 Officers Association National Defense Education Forum,
15 past-President of the Reserve Officers Association Department
16 of Illinois, President-Elect of the Military Officers
17 Association Department of Illinois West Suburban Chapter,
18 board member of the DuPage County Illinois Veterans Assistance
19 Commission, and member of the Mental Health and Education
20 Committees of Illinois Joining Forces; and

21 WHEREAS, In her civilian life, Col. Janet Kamer was the
22 Director of Neuropsychology for Meier Clinics in Wheaton, and
23 she was a professor at the College of DuPage; and

1 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer was preceded in death by her son,
2 Eric Kamer Meador, and by her parents Harry D. and Jean Kamer;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Col. Janet Kamer is survived by her husband, David
5 R. Meador; her son, Lt. Commander Michael K. (Tracy) Meador,
6 U.S.N.; her granddaughter, Natalie Erica; her sons, Monday
7 Akogwu and Diedre Cardoso; and her brother, Harry F.
8 (Marithere) Kamer; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we mourn the passing of Colonel Janet M. Kamer, Ph.D., and
12 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
13 who knew and loved her; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Col. Janet Kamer as an expression of
16 our deepest sympathy.