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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Mark Brockett, who passed away on August 30, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Brockett was born in March of 1984 in Joliet; he was a lifelong resident of the Joliet/Elwood area; he attended Elwood Grade School and graduated from Joliet Central High School in 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Brockett graduated from the University of Illinois at Springfield in 2006; during his time at UIS, he was a member of the newspaper staff and the recreation center staff and served as the play-by-play announcer during many of the university's home athletic events; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from UIS, Mark Brockett returned to his childhood home, where he worked for Lemont High School District #210 as an Assistant Intervention Advocate and Varsity Boys Volleyball Coach; he also worked as a summer counselor for the Joliet Park District; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Brockett had a passion for all sports and sports teams, especially the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears; he also demonstrated his enthusiasm for football through his work

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1 with the radio station WJOL; and

2 WHEREAS, Mark Brockett's greatest loves in life were his
3 family and his friends; he will always be remembered by his
4 friends and family for the love, honor, loyalty, and respect he
5 showed them each day; he will also be remembered for the
6 positive impact he made on the people around him by always
7 having a positive attitude and instilling that attitude not
8 only in his friends and family, but also in the volleyball
9 players and coaches at Lemont High School; and

10 WHEREAS, Mark Brockett was preceded in death by his father,
11 Wendell D. Brockett; and

12 WHEREAS, Mark Brockett is survived by his loving mother,
13 Kathleen (nee Rowan) Brockett; his brothers, James A. (Susana)
14 Surkein, Hank R. Brockett, and Neal R. Brockett; his niece,
15 Cynthia Surkein; his nephew, Dylan Surkein; his grandfather,
16 Wendell G. Brockett; his 3 aunts and 1 uncle; and his numerous
17 cousins; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
20 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Mark
21 Brockett; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Mark Brockett as a symbol of our
3 sincere sympathy.