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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Sharon Lord Lebsack, who passed away on October 28, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Sharon Lebsack was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana; in her youth, she lived with her family in various places in the United States, Japan, and Morocco, where she graduated from high school; and

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WHEREAS, Sharon Lebsack attended nursing school at St. Mary of the Plains in Dodge City, Kansas; she then earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska; during college, while working the night shift in the emergency room of a hospital, she met her future husband, Lyle Dean; less than a year later, she married her husband in Omaha and moved to Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, After moving to Chicago, Sharon Lebsack earned her master's degree in nursing at Dominican University in River Forest; she then began a career as a registered nurse, which included stints at the University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago and the Rush University Medical Center; she also worked part-time at the Mercy Medical Center in Chicago and Holy Family Medical Center in Des Plaines and was the office manager

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1 for Dean's independent media ventures; and

2 WHEREAS, Sharon Lebsack was an active member of the Our
3 Lady of the Brook Catholic Church in Northbrook, where she
4 served many years as a Eucharistic minister; and

5 WHEREAS, Sharon Lebsack enjoyed gardening, fishing, and
6 traveling the world with her husband; and

7 WHEREAS, Sharon Lebsack is survived by her husband, Lyle;
8 her daughter, Kirsten Whipple; her son, Erik; her sister, Janet
9 Lord; her brothers, Richard, Thomas, and Michael Lord; and her
10 5 grandchildren; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
13 her family and friends, the passing of Sharon Lord Lebsack; and
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Sharon Lebsack as an expression of
17 our sympathy.