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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Forty years after Congress passed the 3 Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), promising every 4 worker the right to a safe job, the protections in OSHA have 5 saved hundreds of thousands of lives and prevented millions of 6 workplace injuries; and

7 WHEREAS, Nationally in 2007, despite current safety laws, 8 more than four million workers were injured and 5,488 workers 9 were killed due to job hazards; and

10 WHEREAS, On April 28, 2010 organized labor will observe 11 Workers' Memorial Day all across the country to remember those 12 who have suffered and died on the job and to renew the fight 13 for safe workplaces for all workers; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL 15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Illinois Senate 16 recognizes that as long as there are workers seriously injured 17 or killed on the job, there will be a need to support stronger 18 safety and health laws in our State and country and will work 19 to that end; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Senate will encourage the 21 Illinois congressional delegation and President Barack Obama SR0723 -2- LRB096 21575 KXB 38632 r to continue to revise, revamp and strengthen our federal workplace safety laws and to properly fund OSHA programs and staff; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Senate offers its deep felt
sympathy and understanding to the families of workers who have
been seriously injured or killed on the job; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Senate officially declares
April 28, 2010 as Workers' Memorial Day in Illinois.