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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2014; and

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Nancy 4 Marie Blechle of Carbondale, who passed away on February 18,

6 WHEREAS, Nancy Blechle was born in Perryville, Missouri on 7 March 25, 1970 to Robert J. and Georgia Fay (nee Henderson) Blechle; she graduated from St. Vincent de Paul High School in 8 9 Perryville, Missouri in 1988; she earned her Bachelor of 10 Science in Education from Southeast Missouri State University 11 in 1993 and her Masters of Natural Science in 2000; she received her Ph.D. in 2007 from Southern Illinois University at 12 13 Carbondale (SIUC); and

WHEREAS, Nancy Blechle worked as an educator at Pinckneyville Community High School; in 2003, she received the Graduate Assistant Outstanding Teaching Award for the College of Education and Human Services at SIUC; in 2008, she was a Coca-Cola Scholar Educator of Distinction, and in 2012, she received KFVS Heartland's Best Teacher Award; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Blechle enjoyed scuba diving, motorcycle riding, camping, traveling, glass bead making, reading, and laughing; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Nancy Blechle was preceded in death by her father;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, Nancy Blechle is survived by her mother; her
- 4 partner, Ellen Suzanne Smothers; her sisters, Debra Kay (Allan)
- 5 Quamen and Connie Ann (Norman) Lambert; and several nieces and
- 6 nephews; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 9 we mourn the passing of Nancy Marie Blechle, and extend our
- 10 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
- and loved her; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Nancy Blechle as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.