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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, According to a 1996 study by the Centers of  
3           Disease Control, 16% of over 6,000,000 pregnancies ended in  
4           either a miscarriage or stillbirth, which is almost 1,000,000  
5           perinatal losses; and

6           WHEREAS, Of those over six million pregnancies, 62%, or  
7           3,720,000, ended in live births, and 26,784 of those births  
8           ended in deaths of infants 11 months and younger; and

9           WHEREAS, The availability of information and support is of  
10          the utmost importance to the families who suffer from pregnancy  
11          and infant loss to better help them cope; and

12          WHEREAS, A public that is informed and educated about  
13          pregnancy and infant loss can better learn how to respond with  
14          compassion to affected families; and

15          WHEREAS, Professionals who come in contact with families  
16          who have suffered pregnancy or infant loss, such as physicians,  
17          clergy, emergency medical technicians, funeral directors,  
18          police officers, public health nurses, and employers, can  
19          better serve families if they have special training and better  
20          knowledge of pregnancy and infant loss; and

1           WHEREAS, Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day has been  
2 established to recognize the grief of families and to remember  
3 all of the pregnancies and infants lost; celebrated on October  
4 15 of each year, this day has helped to heal and comfort  
5 families in a time of pain and heartache and to give families  
6 hope for the future; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
9 recognize October 15, 2008 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss  
10 Remembrance Day in order to remember all of the pregnancies and  
11 infants lost, to help to heal and comfort families in a time of  
12 pain and heartache, and to give families hope for the future;  
13 and be it further

14           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the Springfield Share Chapter as an expression of  
16 remembrance and hope.