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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Anita Jo Grace of Olive Branch, who passed away on May 15, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Anita Grace was born on September 18, 1961 to Leland and Mary Jo (nee Collins) McKee; she married Walter Grace on February 14, 1981; and

WHEREAS, Anita Grace was an outstanding member of the business and education communities; she was branch president of the First National Bank in Cairo, where she had been employed for the past 27 years; she served on the boards of directors for numerous community organizations: the Olive Branch Area Community Development Corporation, the Olive Branch Cemetery Association, and the Dodge Memorial Library; she was also a member of the Cairo Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, Anita Grace was a member of the Alexander Free Will Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Anita Grace is survived by her husband, Walt; her mother, Mary Jo McKee; a daughter, Lesley; a son, Justin (Jessica); a granddaughter, Natalie; a sister, Rhonda Sue Stokes (Terry Hunt); 2 brothers, Jerry Leland (Georgia) McKee

1 and Michael Lee McKee; a sister-in-law, Dr. Linda Grace; and
2 several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we mourn the passing of Anita Jo Grace, and extend our sincere
6 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
7 her; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Anita Grace as an expression of our
10 deepest sympathy.