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The House met pursuant to adjournment.  
Speaker Madigan in the chair.

Prayer by Reverend Michael Garanzini , the President of Loyola University in Chicago and Reverend Russell Coats of the East Jordan United Methodist Church in Sterling.

Representative Hartke led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:  
117 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representative Collins was excused from attendance.

**FISCAL NOTES SUPPLIED**

Fiscal Notes have been supplied for SENATE BILLS 306 and 880.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Representative Mautino, Chairperson, from the Committee on Insurance to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1417.

That the bills be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 1150 and 1207.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 1150, 1207 and 1417 is as follows:  
12, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Mautino, Frank(D), Chairperson           | Y Berrios, Maria(D)                     |
| Y Bradley, Richard(D)                      | Y Brady, Dan(R)                         |
| A Colvin, Marlow(D)                        | A Dunkin, Kenneth(D)                    |
| Y Dunn, Joe(R)                             | Y Mitchell, Bill(R)                     |
| Y Osmond, JoAnn(R)                         | Y Pankau, Carole(R)                     |
| Y Parke, Terry(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Phelps, Brandon(D)                    |
| Y Rita, Robert(D)                          | Y Yarbrough, Karen(D), Vice-Chairperson |

Representative Hoffman, Chairperson, from the Committee on Transportation & Motor Vehicles to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bills be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 311, 1122 and 1453.

That the bills be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 96 and 150.

That the resolution be reported "be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 173.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 311 and 1122 is as follows:  
16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman, Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Bassi, Suzanne(R)
Y Black, William(R)	Y Brosnahan, James(D)
Y Forby, Gary(D)	A Fritchey, John(D)
Y Joyce, Kevin(D)	Y Lyons, Joseph(D)
A Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)
Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner, John(R)
Y Moffitt, Donald(R)	A Molaro, Robert(D)
Y O'Brien, Mary(D)	Y Reitz, Dan(D)
Y Soto, Cynthia(D)	A Tenhouse, Art(R)
Y Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Watson, Jim(R)

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1453 is as follows:

18, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman, Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Bassi, Suzanne(R)
Y Black, William(R)	Y Brosnahan, James(D)
Y Forby, Gary(D)	A Fritchey, John(D)
Y Joyce, Kevin(D)	Y Lyons, Joseph(D)
Y Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)
Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner, John(R)
Y Moffitt, Donald(R)	Y Molaro, Robert(D)
Y O'Brien, Mary(D)	Y Reitz, Dan(D)
Y Soto, Cynthia(D)	A Tenhouse, Art(R)
Y Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Watson, Jim(R)

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 96 is as follows:

15, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman, Jay(D), Chairperson	A Bassi, Suzanne(R)
Y Black, William(R)	Y Brosnahan, James(D)
Y Forby, Gary(D)	A Fritchey, John(D)
Y Joyce, Kevin(D)	Y Lyons, Joseph(D)
A Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)
Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner, John(R)
Y Moffitt, Donald(R)	A Molaro, Robert(D)
Y O'Brien, Mary(D)	Y Reitz, Dan(D)
Y Soto, Cynthia(D)	A Tenhouse, Art(R)
Y Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Watson, Jim(R)

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 150 is as follows:

16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman, Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Bassi, Suzanne(R)
Y Black, William(R)	Y Brosnahan, James(D)
Y Forby, Gary(D)	A Fritchey, John(D)
Y Joyce, Kevin(D)	Y Lyons, Joseph(D)
A Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)
Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner, John(R)
Y Moffitt, Donald(R)	A Molaro, Robert(D)
Y O'Brien, Mary(D)	Y Reitz, Dan(D)
Y Soto, Cynthia(D)	A Tenhouse, Art(R)
Y Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Watson, Jim(R)

Representative Steve Davis, Chairperson, from the Committee on Public Utilities to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1054.

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1098.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1098 is as follows:

16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Davis, Steve(D), Chairperson	Y Bost, Mike(R)
Y Davis, Monique(D)	A Giles, Calvin(D)
Y Granberg, Kurt(D)	Y Holbrook, Thomas(D)
Y Hultgren, Randall(R)	A Jones, Lovana(D)
Y Krause, Carolyn(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Lyons, Eileen(R)
Y May, Karen(D)	Y Meyer, James(R)
Y Morrow, Charles(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Myers, Richard(R)
Y Novak, John(D)	Y Saviano, Angelo(R)
Y Scully, George(D)	Y Sullivan, Ed(R)

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1054 is as follows:

15, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Davis, Steve(D), Chairperson	Y Bost, Mike(R)
Y Davis, Monique(D)	A Giles, Calvin(D)
Y Granberg, Kurt(D)	Y Holbrook, Thomas(D)
Y Hultgren, Randall(R)	A Jones, Lovana(D)
Y Krause, Carolyn(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Lyons, Eileen(R)
Y May, Karen(D)	Y Meyer, James(R)
Y Morrow, Charles(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Myers, Richard(R)
Y Novak, John(D)	Y Saviano, Angelo(R)
A Scully, George(D)	Y Sullivan, Ed(R)

Representative Boland, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 82.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 82 is as follows:

6, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Boland, Mike(D), Chairperson	Y Brady, Dan(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Jakobsson, Naomi(D)	A Jefferson, Charles(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Nekritz, Elaine(D)	A Osmond, JoAnn(R)
A Osterman, Harry(D)	Y Sullivan, Ed(R)
Y Wait, Ronald(R)	

Representative Reitz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 27.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 27 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Reitz,Dan(D), Chairperson	Y Brauer,Rich(R)
A Cultra,Shane(R)	A Eddy,Roger(R)
A Flider,Robert(D)	Y Forby,Gary(D), Vice-Chairperson
A Hartke,Charles(D)	Y Mautino,Frank(D)
Y Moffitt,Donald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Myers,Richard(R)
Y O'Brien,Mary(D)	Y Phelps,Brandon(D)
A Sacia,Jim(R)	A Smith,Michael(D)
Y Verschoore,Patrick(D)	Y Winters,Dave(R)

Representative Brosnahan, Chairperson, from the Committee on Consumer Protection to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1030.

That the bills be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 228 and 329.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 329 and 1030 is as follows:  
9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Brosnahan,James(D), Chairperson	Y Churchill,Robert(R)
Y McCarthy,Kevin(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y McGuire,Jack(D)
A Mendoza,Susana(D)	Y Millner,John(R)
Y Parke,Terry(R)	Y Pihos,Sandra(R)
A Rita,Robert(D)	Y Tenhouse,Art(R), Rep. Spokesperson (Lindner)
Y Washington,Eddie(D)	

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 228 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Brosnahan,James(D), Chairperson	Y Churchill,Robert(R)
Y McCarthy,Kevin(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y McGuire,Jack(D)
A Mendoza,Susana(D)	Y Millner,John(R)
Y Parke,Terry(R)	Y Pihos,Sandra(R)
Y Rita,Robert(D)	Y Tenhouse,Art(R), Rep. Spokesperson (Lindner)
Y Washington,Eddie(D)	

Representative Hamos, Chairperson, from the Committee on Housing & Urban Development to which the following were referred, action taken on April 29, 2003, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Standard Debate: SENATE BILL 591.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 591 is as follows:  
11, Yeas; 8, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hamos,Julie(D), Chairperson	Y Bailey,Patricia(D)
N Biggins,Bob(R)	Y Feigenholtz,Sara(D)
N Froehlich,Paul(R)	Y Graham,Deborah(D)
Y Jefferson,Charles(D)	Y Kelly,Robin(D)
N Leitch,David(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y McKeon,Larry(D), Vice-Chairperson
N Munson,Ruth(R)	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
Y Osterman,Harry(D)	N Poe,Raymond(R)
N Rose,Chapin(R)	Y Ryg,Kathleen(D)
Y Slone,Ricca(D)	N Sommer,Keith(R)
A Stephens,Ron(R)	N Winters,Dave(R)

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules:

- HOUSE BILL 3799. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT in relation to children.
- HOUSE BILL 3800. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT in relation to children.
- HOUSE BILL 3801. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT in relation to children.
- HOUSE BILL 3802. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning children.
- HOUSE BILL 3803. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning children.
- HOUSE BILL 3804. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT in relation to minors.
- HOUSE BILL 3805. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning children.
- HOUSE BILL 3806. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning child welfare.
- HOUSE BILL 3807. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning child welfare.

**SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING**

Having been printed, the following bill was taken up, read by title a first time and placed in the Committee on Rules: SENATE BILL 206.

**RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 237**

Offered by Representative Jones:

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell has had a long and sterling career with the State of Illinois, beginning such public service with the Illinois Department of Labor as a clerk-typist in 1960; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell continued to provide exemplary public service in an increasingly responsible manner, she received several promotions, one of which was to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of the Madden Mental Health Center in the then Illinois Department of Mental Health; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell during her eight-year tenure at the Madden Mental Health Center, distinguished herself by developing an affirmative action program which was later used as a model for the



entire State; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell continued to demonstrate outstanding leadership, management, interpersonal and communication skills which resulted in her promotion to a leadership position of Chief of Staff and Executive Assistant to the Director of the Illinois Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, the then largest agency in the State; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell's contributions and dedication have been recognized throughout the years with various awards and certifications, all of which are too numerous to list, but a few examples are the YMCA National Black Achiever for Youth Motivation; Who's Who in State Government; President's Award, International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies; and the Chicago Commission on Human Relation's Governmental Award of Merit; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell is the wife of Lamon Caldwell; she is the proud parent of a son, Chris Cunningham; a daughter, Dr. Lynne Cunningham-McCoy; and the very proud grandmother of LaCresha Cunningham, Kristoffer Jett, Michael McCoy, Joshua Bradley, Brittney Cunningham, Ashley Richardson, Jordan Bradley, Adrienne Cunningham, Ebony Richardson, and Bailey Cunningham; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell became recognized as an effective leader in the State, and particularly in the field of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, she was appointed to the position of Deputy Director to the newly created Department of Human Rights, where she has served to this day; and

WHEREAS, Helen Jett-Caldwell has served as the Deputy Director of the Illinois Department of Human Rights for more than 20 years and has distinguished herself as a leader among her peers around the nation as evidenced by the fact that she has been elected to various leadership positions on the Board of Directors for the International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies for the past 16 years; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim the date of April 30, 2003 Helen Jett-Caldwell Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Helen Jett-Caldwell as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 241

Offered by Representative Mendoza:

WHEREAS, When we think of the world being a better place, we think of how it begins with young children; and

WHEREAS, Children need a safe and loving environment to grow, learn, excel, and be happy; and

WHEREAS, Children have dreams and wishes, and society will do its best to help their dreams come true; and

WHEREAS, Children are brilliant and ingenious in their own way; and

WHEREAS, Society should have an established date to recognize the achievements and value of its children; and

WHEREAS, El Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day) is celebrated to recognize every single child and acknowledge each of them; and

WHEREAS, By celebrating April 30th, we are making a commitment to children that we will continue to listen, teach, and nurture them; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commemorate the lives of our children and our future by designating April 30th as El Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day).

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 242

Offered by Representative Ryg:

WHEREAS, Funding for Department of Veterans Affairs health care under the federal budget is a discretionary program, meaning that it is within the discretion of Congress to determine how much money it will allocate each year for veterans' health care; and

WHEREAS, Section 1710(a) of Title 38 of the United States Code provides that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs "shall" furnish hospital care and medical services, but only to the extent Congress has provided money to cover the costs of care; and

WHEREAS, Veterans have earned the right to VA medical care through their extraordinary sacrifices and service to this nation; and

WHEREAS, The cumulative effects of insufficient health care funding have now resulted in the rationing of health care; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Affairs has reached capacity at many of its health care facilities and is unable to provide timely access to quality health care; and

WHEREAS, The annual shortfall in the VA medical care budget translates directly into higher national health care expenditures; and

WHEREAS, When veterans cannot get needed health care services from Veterans Affairs, they go elsewhere and the cost of care is shifted to State welfare and Medicaid programs or other safety net hospitals where society pays more and the patient suffers; and

WHEREAS, The Veterans Health Administration is the most efficient and cost-effective health care system, providing care for 25% to 30% less than comparable Medicare services; and

WHEREAS, Even though Veterans Affairs serves a population of veterans that is older and sicker and that has a higher prevalence of mental and behavioral health problems, it does so at well below Medicare rates; and

WHEREAS, Many veterans need and depend on the VA health care system and its specialized services in prosthetics, post traumatic stress disorder, spinal cord injury, and rehabilitation of the blind to treat their service-connected disabilities and meet their unique health care needs; and

WHEREAS, It is disingenuous for our government to promise health care to veterans, but then make it unattainable because of inadequate funding; and

WHEREAS, Making veterans' health care mandatory would ensure that the government met its obligation to provide timely, quality health care to all veterans eligible for care in the VA health care system; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Congress to amend Title 38 of the United States Code to provide a guaranteed level of funding for veterans' health care with mandatory funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, the President pro tempore of the U.S. Senate and Chairman of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and Chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 243

Offered by Representative Watson:

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois benefits from the revenues and economic activity of countless businesses and public utilities that rely on flood control structures to protect individuals and property from the ravages of the Illinois, Kaskaskia, Mississippi, and Ohio rivers; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois benefits from improved public health and quality of life for its citizens due to well-drained land and access to marinas that offer waterborne recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois benefits from hundreds of miles of navigable waterways and waterborne commerce on the Illinois, Kaskaskia, Mississippi, and Ohio rivers; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the members of the House of Representatives support strengthening flood control structures to a common level of protection to improve the safety and well-being of the State's citizens, wildlife sanctuaries, and economic assets; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Illinois House of Representatives support the federally-funded Upper Mississippi River Comprehensive Plan that is to develop recommendations for systematic flood protection and for coordinating the varied uses of the Illinois and Mississippi rivers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State of Illinois needs to encourage the modernization of the navigation locks and dams on the Illinois, Kaskaskia, and Mississippi rivers to maintain the Midwest's position in global markets

and to facilitate movement of commodities that produce energy, such as coal and oil, build the foundations of communities, and protect Midwestern communities from extreme weather conditions, and to facilitate movement of recreational boaters on the rivers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, and each member of the Illinois Congressional delegation.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 256

Offered by Representative Millner:

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois is committed to protecting the safety of motorists on Illinois highways and protecting taxpayers' investment in our highway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the federal government by law has, since 1991, prohibited the introduction of triple trailers, trucks with weights greater than 80,000 pounds, and trailers longer than 53 feet on the interstate highway system; and

WHEREAS, a recent U.S. Department of Transportation study found that (1) double and triple trailer trucks are at least 11% more likely to be involved in a fatal accident than a single trailer truck, and (2) nationwide use of these trucks would result in \$53 billion in bridge construction costs and an additional \$266 billion in congestion costs; and

WHEREAS, there are attempts to convince the congress of the United States to permit longer and heavier trucks; and

WHEREAS, heavy trucks are responsible for a disproportionate amount of pavement damage; according to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), one 80,000 pound five-axle truck does as much pavement damage as 9,600 cars; a 100,000 pound five-axle truck would do as much damage as 27,000 cars; and

WHEREAS, each introduction of longer and heavier trucks in American history has resulted in a substantial increase in the number of trucks on the road because goods previously shipped by more environmentally friendly methods -- waterways and rail -- are placed on trucks instead; thus allowing longer, heavier trucks will increase congestions; and

WHEREAS, heavier trucks will take more time to stop, thus increasing their potential for accidents; therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we support maintaining the current federal truck size and weight limitations and oppose proposals to experiment with longer and heavier trucks on public highways; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President pro tempore of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

#### AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 202

Offered by Representative Verschoore:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Sergeant Bradley S. Korthaus, United States Marine Corps, of Davenport, Iowa on Monday, March 24, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Korthaus died while valiantly serving his country in Operation Iraqi Freedom; he was a member of the Peoria-based, C Company, 4th Support Service Group, 6th Battalion; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Korthaus was born on May 19, 1974 in Davenport to Steven Bruce and Marilyn Kay Smeaton Korthaus; he graduated in 1992 from Assumption High School in Davenport, where he participated in football, wrestling, soccer, and tennis; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, he pursued his dream of becoming a United States Marine; he served four years of active duty and was stationed in various parts of the world, and he participated in Operation Restore Hope in Somalia; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Korthaus had been employed by Ryan & Associates, Inc.; he was an apprentice and was posthumously awarded Honorary Journeymen status; he was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, Plumbers & Pipefitters Union - Local 25, Pheasants Forever, and Ducks Unlimited; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Sergeant Korthaus has been deeply felt by many, especially his parents, Steve and Marilyn Korthaus; his brother, Drew Korthaus and his fiancée, Angela Miller; his fiancée, Barbi Schneckloth; his grandmothers, Marietta Smeaton and Ruby Korthaus; and his many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that together with his friends, family, and this great nation, we mourn the passing of Sergeant Bradley S. Korthaus, United States Marine Corps, and we extend to them our deepest sympathy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Sergeant Korthaus and his willingness to serve our country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sergeant Bradley S. Korthaus as an expression of our sincere condolences during their time of loss.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 238

Offered by Representative Myers:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Mayor Thomas C. Carper of Macomb on his retirement after many years of dedicated service to the people of Macomb; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carper has served the city of Macomb as Mayor since 1991; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Carper received a Bachelor of Arts from Western Illinois University (WIU) in 1982; he joined the military in 1967, where he served until 1970, including a tour of duty in Thailand and Vietnam; following his military service, he resided and worked in New Jersey before returning to Macomb and opening a business in 1972; he returned to WIU and earned a Board of Trustees degree; and

WHEREAS, One of the achievements that Mayor Carper is proud of is the partnership between the St. Louis Rams football team and the Macomb community; he was very instrumental in bringing the St. Louis Rams to Macomb for summer camp; and

WHEREAS, The city of Macomb has greatly benefitted from the time and energy that Mayor Carper has given over the past years; he has personally planted and nurtured hundreds of trees to be used for beautification, and played an instrumental role in the building of the Macomb 911 center; he renovated the Macomb City Hall without raising taxes; he initiated the Al Sears Annual Festival in 2002; he has worked tirelessly for the Special Olympics, the Macomb Heritage Days, and the Macomb Balloon Rally; in addition, he has fostered a tremendous relationship between the City of Macomb, Western Illinois University, and the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Carper is affiliated with the United Way Chair and Leighty Award, the WIU Performing Arts Distinguished Service Award and the Ruth Watts Award; he is a WIU Track and Field Official and the McDonough County Rehabilitation Center Volunteer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Carper is the Chair of the Amtrak Mayors' Advisory Council; he is also a member, and on the Board of Directors of the Illinois Municipal League; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Mayor Thomas C. Carper on his retirement as Mayor of Macomb and wish him good health and happiness in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mayor Thomas C. Carper as an expression of our respect and esteem.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 239

Offered by Representative Yarbrough:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) on the occasion of its 75th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The IAPD was established on May 17, 1928; it provides education, research, and advocacy for its 362 members, consisting of 279 park districts, 8 forest preserve districts, 4 conservation districts, one conservancy district, 35 city agencies, one State agency (the Department of Natural Resources), and 34 associate members in the allied fields of law, landscape architecture, and public finance; and

WHEREAS, The mission of IAPD is to advance its members in their ability to provide outstanding park and recreation opportunities, preserve our natural resources, and improve the quality of life for all people in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The IAPD is the oldest statewide association of its kind in the country; it is the only park association with a primary membership of elected board members who serve without compensation on local park and forest preserve boards; its member agencies and their staffs are nationally recognized leaders in parks and recreation and have won the National Gold Medal Award more times than any other state; and

WHEREAS, A.D. McLarty of Springfield is credited as the association's organizer; in 1928, he was secretary of the Illinois Municipal League and believed an association dedicated to park districts would further the cause of public parks and recreation in Illinois; he became IAPD's first secretary; and

WHEREAS, Early legislation addressed by the association sought to establish uniform laws for organizing park districts and the powers of elected officials, establish the powers of park districts for acquiring land for open space and public parks and recreation, and address liability issues; over the years, the association has worked in bipartisan partnership with its legislative leaders in Illinois and Washington, D.C. to secure funding for open space, outdoor recreation, wildlife preservation, senior health interests, and after-school recreation and nutrition programs for youth; and

WHEREAS, As a grass-roots organization, with its 2,100 elected officials and more than 300 park and forest preserve agency leaders, IAPD's voice for parks and natural resources is strong and respected; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Illinois Association of Park Districts on its 75th anniversary and thank the Association for its dedication to preserving our natural resources and improving the quality of life for all the citizens of this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dennis Flanagan, chairman of the Illinois Association of Park Districts.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 240

Offered by Representatives Cross, Currie, Feigenholtz, Hamos, Jones, Eileen Lyons, O'Brien, Turner and Watson:

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives has learned that an Illinois resident has been named the recipient of one of journalism's most prestigious awards, the Pulitzer Prize; and

WHEREAS, The Pulitzer Prize was awarded for a series of editorials on reforming the death penalty that appeared in the Chicago Tribune; and

WHEREAS, There has been no more intense and serious debate in Illinois in recent years than that over the reform of the capital punishment system; and

WHEREAS, Much of the focus as well as the impetus for this debate has come from the continuing series of editorials written by the Chicago Tribune's Cornelia Grumman; and

WHEREAS, It is worth noting that the Illinois General Assembly, using the input of those editorials and a myriad of other sources, has taken steps in recent days to enact serious reforms of the capital punishment system; and

WHEREAS, The Pulitzer committee cited Cornelia Grumman for her "powerful, freshly challenging editorials against the death penalty"; and

WHEREAS, While now ensconced in the lofty tower occupied by all writers of editorials, Cornelia

Grumman honed her skills with stints at State government reporting for the Tribune, the Daily Southtown, and the Raleigh News and Observer; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we salute Cornelia Grumman on the occasion of her being named the recipient of the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Writing; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we express the thanks of the people of the State of Illinois for her contribution to the debate over the death penalty; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Cornelia Grumman and to the Chicago Tribune.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 244

Offered by Representatives Monique Davis:

WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) is celebrating its 75th anniversary in providing education, research, and advocacy for its agencies and more than 40,000 employees; and

WHEREAS, The IAPD has 2,100 locally elected citizens who serve without compensation on park district and forest preserve boards; the association's mission is to advance these agencies in their ability to provide outstanding park and recreation opportunities, preserve our natural resources, and improve the quality of life for all people in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, To commemorate this special anniversary, the association is having a dinner-dance on Friday, June 20, 2003, at the Hyatt Regency-Woodfield in Schaumburg; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Illinois Association of Park Districts on its 75th anniversary and thank the Association for its dedication to preserving our natural resources and improving the quality of life for all the citizens of this State; and be it

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the board of directors of the Illinois Association of Park Districts.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 245

Offered by Representative Capparelli:

WHEREAS, The Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans will present its annual "Dante Award" on May 22, 2003; and

WHEREAS, This year's Dante Award recipient will be Joe Cappel, Editor-at-Large of Crain's Chicago Business Magazine; he most recently served as senior vice president-international and licensing for Crain, which publishes more than 30 business and professional publications; and

WHEREAS, In his corporate position, he established licensing agreements that expanded Crain publications to more than 20 countries around the world; as part of his international duties he was also instrumental in acquiring Crain's first non-English publications in Mexico and served as that subsidiary's first president; his duties also include the licensing of Crain's editorial material to major database archives, news services, and other data vendors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cappel joined Crain Communications in 1978 as a columnist for the then newly launched Crain's Chicago Business; in the intervening years, he served as publisher of Crain's Chicago Business, publisher of Advertising Age, and group publisher over seven journals; his opinion column, often on marketing related topics, has appeared regularly in Crain's Chicago Business since its first issue; and

WHEREAS, Before joining Crain, Mr. Cappel worked at the old Chicago Daily News, covering crime, politics, and general assignments for six years before writing a daily advertising and marketing column for nine years; when the Daily News folded in 1978, he moved his column to the Chicago Sun-Times for a brief time; and

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, he attended DePaul University where he majored in philosophy and economics before a two-year term in the United States Army; for ten years, he hosted "Crain's American Business," the inflight audio channel on American Airlines; he formerly broadcast twice-daily business commentaries on Chicago's FM 100 for 18 years and is the author of "FutureScope: Success Strategies for

the 1990s and Beyond," a best-selling book about the 21st Century consumer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cappo's most recent book, "The Future of Advertising: New Media, New Clients and New Consumers in the Post-Television Age," was published by McGraw-Hill and is scheduled to be published in at least four other languages; and

WHEREAS, From 1988 to 2000, Mr. Cappo was world president of the International Advertising Association and still serves as world treasurer on the global advertising organization's executive committee; he is a member of the editorial and international committees of the American Business Media, and the international committee of the Magazine Publishers of America; for more than 20 years, he has been a vice president of the Off The Street Club, a 102-year-old organization that serves disadvantaged children on the Chicago's West Side; in past years, he served as president of the Association of Area Business Publications and board member of the Chicago Advertising Federation; and

WHEREAS, As a writer, commentator, and media executive, he has lectured extensively across the United States and in more that 30 countries in Latin America, Asia, Africa, and Europe-including Italy; he has won numerous awards for his work over the years including: the Peter Lisagor Award from the Society of Professional Journalists, the Distinguished Alumni Award from DePaul University, the Page One Award from the Chicago Newspaper Guild, the Champion Award from the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago, the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Justinian Society of Lawyers, the Best Original Column from the Association of Area Business Publications, the Best Feature Story from the Illinois Press Association, and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the DePaul University Communications Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cappo and his wife, Mary Anne, live in Wilmette and have two grown children, Elizabeth and John; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Joe Cappo on being named the recipient of the 2003 Dante Award, presented by the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, for his dedication, service, and inspiration in the communication field; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Joe Cappo with our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 246

Offered by Representative O'Brien:

WHEREAS, Assistant Majority Leader John Philip "Phil" Novak represents the 79th Legislative District in the Illinois House of Representatives; he was appointed and sworn into office on May 18, 1987; and

WHEREAS, Representative Novak was born in Berwyn on February 15, 1946; he earned both a Bachelor's and Master's Degree from Eastern Illinois University; before his initial appointment and subsequent re-elections to the Illinois House, he served as Kankakee County Treasurer from 1982 to 1987; he also served as a village trustee for eight years; prior to his career in public service, he was employed as Labor Relations Manager for both Manville Forest Products and American Spring Wire, and as Assistant Personnel Director for the Manteno Mental Health Center; and

WHEREAS, Representative Novak served in the United States Army from 1966 to 1968 and was stationed in the Panama Canal Zone; and

WHEREAS, Representative Novak is serving his ninth term in the Illinois House; he is a member of the Environment and Energy Committee, the Public Utilities Committee, the Registration and Regulation Committee, the Veterans' Affairs Committee, and the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules; he was also a prime author of Illinois' landmark electricity industry deregulation and restructuring law passed in 1997; he has received many awards for his service to the State and his community; and

WHEREAS, Representative Novak is the son of John and Cordelia Novak; he is married to Rebecca; his son, Todd, is a graduate of Illinois State University; he also has an older brother, Richard; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank Representative John Philip "Phil" Novak for his hard work and for the positive impact his years of commitment and support have had on the communities he has served; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Representative John Philip "Phil" Novak with our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 247

Offered by Representative Bellock:

WHEREAS, Giant Steps Illinois, Inc. is a model program for autism education and family support; the mission of Giant Steps is to provide educational and therapeutic services to individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families; and

WHEREAS, The Educational and Therapeutic Day School of Giant Steps began serving 12 full-time students in 1997; today, it serves 30 children with autism, ages 5 to 13; it is located in Burr Ridge and students currently come from 17 different communities; and

WHEREAS, The Autism Center for Excellence of Giant Steps provides a multitude of services; the Stepping Stones Program is a community outreach program that offers family-based classes for children with autism spectrum disorders from ages 2 to 14; and

WHEREAS, The Autism Center for Excellence provides consultative services to ensure that children with autism spectrum disorders are provided with necessary therapeutic and educational supports for success in the least restrictive environment; the services are available at cost for school districts and families within the home and school environment; the Center also provides professional training and workshops as well as internship training; and

WHEREAS, The core values of Giant Steps Illinois, Inc. are family focus, innovative services, excellence, inclusion, collaborative partnerships, and community outreach; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Giant Steps Illinois, Inc. as a model program for autism education and family support and commend the organization for its work in the area of autism spectrum disorders; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Giant Steps Illinois, Inc. as a token of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 248

Offered by Representative Poe:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Stanley Weder on the occasion of his retirement from the State of Illinois Comptroller's Office on April 30, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weder was born on August 18, 1952 to Roy C. and Mary E. Campbell Weder; he has 6 brothers and sisters, Jim, Julia, Wilbur, Larry, Dixie and Mary Jeanne; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weder married Carol Little at First Baptist Church in Winchester, on July 7, 1979; they are the parents of 3 daughters: Caroline (born in 1984), she died shortly after birth, Lindsey (1986) and Kristen (1989); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weder grew up on the family farm in Winchester where he continued to help his Dad with the farming while attending college and even after starting work at the Comptroller's Office in May of 1975; he attended Alsey Grade School, Winchester High School, Spoon River Junior College, and graduated from Western Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weder is an avid outdoorsman and sportsman who loves to hunt, bowl, play golf, attend his daughter's basketball and soccer games, and other school activities; he is also active in his daughters' schools, in their Parent Teacher Associations, and he is a member of the board of Springfield High School's Booster Club; one of his favorite pastimes is attending St. Louis Cardinal baseball games; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Mr. Stanley Weder on the occasion of his retirement from the State Comptroller's office after 28 years of service, and we commend him for his loyalty and enthusiasm to his job; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Stanley Weder as a token of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for a peaceful and relaxing retirement.



## HOUSE RESOLUTION 249

Offered by Representative Morrow:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of James Elmer Haley of Springfield on April 20, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley was born on August 17, 1917 in Peoria to Elmer and Gertrude Anderson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley owned and operated Haley's Tip-To-Top Valet Shop for many years; he was a member of Union Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley was the grandfather of Roy Williams, the Executive Director for the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus (ILBC); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially his six sons, Donald L. "Dee" Haley, Gerald T. Haley, James L. "Rock" (wife, Edna) Haley, William A. "Billy" Haley, Rickey L. Haley, and Richard Eugene Haley; his five daughters, Roberta Davis, Ethel Howze, Arlene Carter, Donna J. (husband, Lindsey) Hickman, and Vickey Washington; his many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; his two brothers, Raymond "Ray" Haley and Earl (wife, Theresa) Haley; and his sister, Anna Haley; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley was preceded in death by his wife, Christine Johnson Haley; and his daughter, Christine Gage; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of James Elmer Haley along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of James Elmer Haley as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 250

Offered by Representatives Biggins, Daniels and Saviano:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish to congratulate Thomas O. Myers Jr. of Elmhurst on being the recipient of the Elmhurst Jaycees' 2003 Distinguished Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Myers is the owner and president of Thomas O. Myers Real Estate in Elmhurst; he and his wife, Shirley, are the second generation of family leadership in a real estate business founded in 1920 by his father; he began working with his father following World War II service in the U.S. Navy as an X-ray technician; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Myers has unselfishly contributed his time and talents to numerous Elmhurst local organizations, agencies, and clubs; since 1961, Mr. Myers has volunteered his time and donated his money in support of Elmhurst Memorial Hospital and its Board of Governors, including 30 years of service on the Finance, Building & amp; Grounds, and Public Relations Committees; for 23 of the past 25 years, he has chaired or co-chaired the Governors' Fall Benefit Dinner; and

WHEREAS, The Myers have endowed a scholarship fund for children of hospital employees who pursue academic studies in a medical or health-related field; Mr. Myers was recognized in 1990 with the Governors' Distinguished Service Award for his contributions and commitment to the hospital; and

WHEREAS, The Myers were awarded the Founders Medal by Elmhurst College in recognition of their "lifetimes of building, directing, and accomplishing"; Founders Medalists have unique relationships with Elmhurst College in the areas of personal commitment, service and involvement, and philanthropic assistance; the Myers recently established an endowed scholarship fund at Elmhurst College to provide assistance for students who demonstrate financial need and who serve as managers for the Bluejays' intercollegiate athletic teams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Myers has been a member or served in a leadership capacity in many organizations; he was honored by the American Legion as Citizen of the Year in 1983; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Thomas O. Myers Jr. on receiving the Elmhurst Jaycees' 2003 Distinguished Service Award; and

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Thomas O. Myers Jr. as a token of

our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 251

Offered by Representatives Joseph Lyons:

WHEREAS, The institution of marriage is one of the cornerstones upon which our society is built, and a marriage that has achieved a notable longevity is truly a model for the people of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Mr. and Mrs. John Antosh of Park Ridge will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage; and

WHEREAS, John E. Antosh and Dorothy E. Schulz were united in holy matrimony on April 25, 1953 on the one year anniversary of their first date at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, A 1949 graduate of Schurz High School in Chicago, Dorothy worked as the secretary to the President of Plastic Molders, Inc. from 1949-1955; in the years 1973-1989, she worked as a reconciliation person for Medidentic Co., in the reimbursement section in the Park Ridge City Hall and as a bookkeeper at Pro-Optics; since 1956, she has enjoyed life as a mother, wife, and homemaker and takes pleasure in the planning of family events and creating lasting memories; and

WHEREAS, John Antosh served his country during World War II in the United States Marines; during his service in 1945 and 1946, he was in the H & S Company of the 5th Marines, 1st Division; his job was to guard the food trains traveling from Peking to Tangsien in China; John also trained as a carpenter and was responsible for supervising crews in the remodeling of a Japanese Hospital for U.S. Troop usage; and

WHEREAS, After being discharged he worked with his father at Continental Plastic from October 1946-April 1948; at that time John and his family moved to Rhinelander, Wisconsin where his father started Rhinelander Products, where they both worked from April 1948-June 1950; at that time John and his family moved back to Chicago and began JGA & Sons, a plastic molding company; John took over the company in 1961 and owned and operated it until his retirement in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Antosh enjoys vacationing, golfing with family and friends, and the occasional gambling junket; and

WHEREAS, John and Dorothy Antosh are the loving parents of John Jr. (wife, Joanne), Michael (wife, Bonnie), Nancye, Peter (wife, Rita), and Thomas; and they are the grandparents of Tristin, Kristin, Keith, Jeffrey, Carly, Nicole, Ronald Jr., Robyn, Hilary, Mark, and Robert; and

WHEREAS, The respect for marriage reaches one of its highest plateaus when a couple such as John and Dorothy Antosh celebrate their golden wedding anniversary; and

WHEREAS, John and Dorothy Antosh stand as examples of the best of our society, and their love and devotion to each other and to their family and friends serve as a reminder to all that hard work, dedication, and love can make a difference in today's world; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate John and Dorothy Antosh on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary; that we commend them for achieving a long and happy marriage, blessed with children and grandchildren and rich in friendships and that we wish them happiness and good health in the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to John and Dorothy Antosh as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 252

Offered by Representative Dunn:

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Ronald J. Keller recently celebrated 50 years of affiliation with the Naperville Municipal Band; he will be honored by the band with a concert entitled "Ron's 50th" on June 26, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Keller has been affiliated with the Naperville Municipal Band since his first solo with the group in 1951, when he was a student in the Naperville public schools; he has served as musical director of the band since 1966; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Keller received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, majoring in music, from Northern Illinois University in June of 1961; he completed his Master of Music Education degree at Vandercook College of Music in July of 1967; he received a Doctor of Philosophy degree from Summit University of Louisiana in February of 1999; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Keller was the coordinator of music for the Naperville school district for 18 years in addition to carrying a full teaching load; he retired on June 10, 1993; in 1978 and 1979, he served as visiting professor of music at North Central College, directing the concert band and related ensembles; he directed the concert band again for the spring semester of 2000; he has taught workshops, clinics, and a class at Vandercook College and Aurora College; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Keller has received numerous awards and is affiliated with numerous professional, civic, and social organizations; under his leadership, the Naperville Municipal Band received the prestigious Sudler Silver Scroll Award from the John Philip Sousa Foundation; he was a speaker at the Music Educators National Conference National Convention in 1981 and 1988; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Keller is married with three grown children, two step-children, three grandsons, and two granddaughters; he enjoys gardening, fishing, sausage making, and model trains; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dr. Ronald J. Keller on his faithful service of over 50 years to the Naperville Municipal Band; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Keller as a token of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for his continued success.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 253

Offered by Representative Slone:

WHEREAS, Earning the highest achievement award of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., the Girl Scout Gold Award, symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development; the award can be earned by girls aged 14 to 17 or in grades 9 through 12; and

WHEREAS, To receive the Gold Award, the Girl Scout must earn four Interest Project Patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and the Senior Girl Scout Challenge, as well as design and implement a Girl Scout Gold Award project; a plan for fulfilling these requirements is created by the Senior Girl Scout and is carried out in close cooperation with the girl and an adult Girl Scout volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Six members of the Girl Scouts-Kickapoo Council will receive the Girl Scout Gold Award at the Annual Recognition Banquet on May 4, 2003; the girls receiving this prestigious award are Jacy Brasher, Monica Edwards, Lindsay Furr, Katherine Grady, Laura Handrich, and Cassie Whitsitt; and

WHEREAS, Jacy Brasher is a member of Girl Scout Troop #1000; she is a senior at East Peoria Community High School; for her project, she gathered holiday presents for less fortunate children in the community; and

WHEREAS, Monica Edwards is a member of Girl Scout Troop #555; she is a senior at Notre Dame High School; for her project, she developed and executed a one-day event that addressed important topics for teens including breast cancer, healthy eating, teen pregnancy, skin cancer, depression, and suicide; and

WHEREAS, Lindsay Furr is a member of Girl Scout Troop #555 and is a senior at Elmwood High School; for her project, she developed a website for the Elmwood Bicentennial Book which features information about the book and in the book; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Grady is a member of Girl Scout Troop #35 and is a senior at Peoria High School; for her project, she planted a butterfly garden and labeled the plants and trees on a nature trail for educational purposes for the children attending Pleasant Valley School; and

WHEREAS, Laura Handrich is a member of Girl Scout Troop #1000 and is a student at Illinois Central College; for her project, she gathered holiday presents for less fortunate children in the community; and

WHEREAS, Cassie Whitsitt is a member of Girl Scout Troop #47 and is a senior at Lewistown High School; for her project, she planned and executed the Fulton County blood drives; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Jacy Brasher, Monica Edwards, Lindsay Furr, Katherine Grady, Laura Handrich, and Cassie Whitsitt on earning the Girl Scout Gold

Award, and we recognize the significant effort and time that each girl contributed in order to earn the award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Jacy Brasher, Monica Edwards, Lindsay Furr, Katherine Grady, Laura Handrich, and Cassie Whitsitt as a token of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 254

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Connie Parker on her retirement as the Centralia Clean and Green Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Connie Parker is the wife of Jack Parker and the mother of four children, Michael, Shannon, Crosby, and Jessica; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker has been involved with the Centralia Clean and Green since 1985; she is responsible for implementing the Clean and Green program (The 3 R's - Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle) in the Centralia School System; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker has worked with well over 1,000 volunteers to not only teach but carry out the task of physically picking up "trash"; she was instrumental in organizing the Neighborhood Pick-Up which helps neighborhoods get rid of trash that the City garbage collection will not accept; this program has grown to be greatly appreciated by many of the citizens of Centralia; and

WHEREAS, Because of her efforts, Centralia Clean and Green received first place from National Keep America Beautiful in the first three years of Clean and Green's existence; it was the first program to be recognized as outstanding by Keep Illinois Beautiful; the Centralia Clean and Green program has received the St. Mary's Madonna Club Award for community service; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker has been the recipient of the "Woman of the Year" award given by the Canton-Madison County Chamber of Commerce in Mississippi, and she also received the Centralia Business and Professional "Woman of the Year" award; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker also helped the City of Centralia obtain and keep the status of TreeCity USA; the City has been honored through the Governor's Home Town Award Program because of her hard work and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker is the midwest representative for the National Keep America Beautiful; she helped coordinate activities to mark the 75th anniversary of women's suffrage; she serves on the United Fund Board; she has served on the St. Mary's Hospital Development Council, the Centralia Chamber of Commerce Board (serving six years as Chairwoman of the Ambassadors); she is a blood drive volunteer for the Centralia Chapter of the American Red Cross, a volunteer for the Centralia Community Benevolent Association food pantry, and a bell ringer for the Salvation Army; she has also been a Tri Chi sponsor and May Fete assistant; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker also served on the Centralia Code Enforcement Advisory Committee, the City Tree Board, the Centralia Parks Advisory Committee, the Marion County Solid Waste Committee, Project Pride, and the INC business awards; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker is a member of the Clinton Co. Solid Waste Advisory Committee and she helped to organize Clean and Green programs in Mt. Vernon, Carlyle, and Carbondale; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Connie Parker on her retirement after many years of dedication and service to the people of the City of Centralia; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Connie Parker as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 255

Offered by Representatives Flider and Bill Mitchell:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the combat death of Private Jonathan Gifford, United States Marine Corps, of Decatur on March 23, 2003 in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Private Gifford was a member of the 1st Battalion, 2nd Regiment, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade of the United States Marine Corps; he was killed in action near An Nasiriyah in an ambush; and

WHEREAS, Private Gifford was born on October 30, 1972; he graduated from Stephen Decatur High School in 1991; he joined the United States Marine Corps on October 30, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Private Gifford had been employed as a laborer at Archer Daniels Midland in Decatur; he enjoyed hunting and holds the Pope and Young bowhunting record for the taking of a 10-point buck; and

WHEREAS, Private Gifford always fought for the underdog, so it was fitting that he was fighting for the freedom of the Iraqi people; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Private Jonathan Gifford has been deeply felt by many, especially his daughter, Lexie Gifford; his mother, Vicky J. Langley; his father, John L. Gifford; his stepmother, Carol Gifford; his stepfather, Tim Langley; his half-sisters, Tiffany Blastenbri and Valerie Gifford; his maternal grandparents, William Godfrey, Jr. and Reva Godfrey; his paternal grandparents, Ronald and Peggy Gifford; his former wife, Vickey; and his several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that together with his family, friends, and this great nation, we mourn the passing of Private Jonathan Gifford, United States Marine Corps, and extend to his family and friends our deepest condolences; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Private Gifford and his willingness to serve our country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Private Jonathan Gifford, United States Marine Corps, as an expression of our sincere sympathy during their time of loss.

#### **SENATE BILL ON THIRD READING**

The following bill and any amendments adopted thereto was printed and laid upon the Members' desks. Any amendments pending were tabled pursuant to Rule 40(a).

On motion of Representative Mathias, SENATE BILL 41 was taken up and read by title a third time. And the question being, "Shall this bill pass?" it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote: 113, Yeas; 3, Nays; 1, Answering Present.  
(ROLL CALL 2)

This bill, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, was declared passed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

#### **HOUSE BILL ON THIRD READING**

The following bill and any amendments adopted thereto were printed and laid upon the Member's desks. This bill has been examined, any amendments thereto engrossed and any errors corrected. Any amendments pending were tabled pursuant to Rule 40(a).

On motion of Representative Graham, HOUSE BILL 2532 was taken up and read by title a third time. And the question being, "Shall this bill pass?"

Pending the vote on said bill, on motion of Representative Graham, further consideration of HOUSE BILL 2532 was postponed.

#### **AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

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HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 202, 238, 239, 240, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254 and 255 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the Agreed Resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 1:05 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Thursday, May 1, 2003, at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

April 30, 2003

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

117 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Dunkin	P Leitch	P Phelps
P Aguilar	P Dunn	P Lindner	P Pihos
P Bailey	P Eddy	P Lyons, Eileen	P Poe
P Bassi	P Feigenholtz	P Lyons, Joseph	P Reitz
P Beaubien	P Flider	P Mathias	P Rita
P Bellock	P Flowers	P Mautino	P Rose
P Berrios	P Forby	P May	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Sacia
P Black	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	P Saviano
P Boland	P Froehlich	P McGuire	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Giles	P McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley	P Graham	P Mendoza	P Slone
P Brady	P Granberg	P Meyer	P Smith
P Brauer	P Hamos	P Miller	P Sommer
P Brosnahan	P Hannig	P Millner	P Soto
P Burke	P Hartke	P Mitchell, Bill	P Stephens
P Capparelli	P Hassert	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	P Hoffman	P Moffitt	P Tenhouse
P Churchill	P Holbrook	P Molaro	P Turner
E Collins	P Howard	P Morrow	P Verschoore
P Colvin	P Hultgren	P Mulligan	P Wait
P Coulson	P Jakobsson	P Munson	P Washington
P Cross	P Jefferson	P Myers	P Watson
P Cultra	P Jones	P Nekritz	P Winters
P Currie	P Joyce	P Novak	P Wirsing
P Daniels	P Kelly	P O'Brien	P Yarbrough
P Davis, Monique	P Kosel	P Osmond	P Younge
P Davis, Steve	P Krause	P Osterman	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Will	P Kurtz	P Pankau	
P Delgado	P Lang	P Parke	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
SENATE BILL 41  
DISABLD ADULT-GUARDIAN-EVIDNCE  
THIRD READING  
PASSED

April 30, 2003

113 YEAS

3 NAYS

1 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Dunkin	Y Leitch	Y Phelps
Y Aguilar	Y Dunn	Y Lindner	Y Pihos
Y Bailey	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Poe
Y Bassi	Y Feigenholtz	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Flider	Y Mathias	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Flowers	Y Mautino	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Forby	Y May	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Sacia
N Black	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Froehlich	Y McGuire	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley	Y Graham	Y Mendoza	Y Slone
Y Brady	Y Granberg	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brauer	Y Hamos	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brosnahan	Y Hannig	Y Millner	Y Soto
Y Burke	Y Hartke	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Capparelli	Y Hassert	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	N Tenhouse
Y Churchill	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Turner
E Collins	Y Howard	Y Morrow	Y Verschoore
Y Colvin	Y Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Wait
Y Coulson	Y Jakobsson	Y Munson	P Washington
Y Cross	Y Jefferson	Y Myers	Y Watson
N Cultra	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Winters
Y Currie	Y Joyce	Y Novak	Y Wirsing
Y Daniels	Y Kelly	Y O'Brien	Y Yarbrough
Y Davis, Monique	Y Kosel	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Steve	Y Krause	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Will	Y Kurtz	Y Pankau	
Y Delgado	Y Lang	Y Parke	

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