

Senate Resolution 8 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8

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and ZUMBACH

1 A Resolution honoring and congratulating Lois Brownell
2 for her dedicated service to the State of Iowa.

3 WHEREAS, Lois Brownell lived in several Iowa towns
4 during her childhood, graduating from Orange High
5 School in Waterloo; and

6 WHEREAS, Lois attended the University of Northern
7 Iowa and worked in the banking industry for several
8 years before accepting a position with the Iowa Senate
9 in December of 1995; and

10 WHEREAS, Lois began her career with the Iowa Senate
11 as an Assistant to Legal Counsel proofreading and
12 processing bills and amendments, and in 1996 became an
13 Assistant Finance Officer simultaneously working in the
14 Senate Legal Counsel Office and the Finance Office; and

15 WHEREAS, Lois seamlessly transitioned to the
16 position of Senate Finance Officer in 2009 and
17 currently holds the position of Senior Finance Officer
18 III; and

19 WHEREAS, throughout her career, Lois has been the

1 consummate colleague, supporting other staff and
2 Senators alike, and stepping in whenever needed to
3 ensure a smooth legislative process; and

4 WHEREAS, Lois has diligently and with great
5 patience, professionalism, and integrity, performed a
6 role vital to the everyday operations of the Senate and
7 the Iowa General Assembly in supervising, coordinating,
8 and maintaining the accounting and disbursing
9 system for the Senate, including among a myriad of
10 responsibilities assisting in preparing the budget for
11 the Senate and for joint expenditures, maintaining
12 records and accommodating revenue and finance
13 department procedures and state auditing functions,
14 and, most especially for some, implementing personnel
15 and related policies and procedures, acquainting
16 employees with available benefits, preparing payroll,
17 and distributing payments; and

18 WHEREAS, as Lois leaves the Senate to engage in new
19 adventures, to enjoy hobbies and activities including
20 creating beautiful pieces of pottery, hosting dinners,
21 traveling, golfing, and dancing, and to spend more
22 time with family including her son Jason, daughter and
23 son-in-law Nissa and Doug, and much beloved grandson,
24 Lucas; NOW THEREFORE,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That Lois Brownell
26 be publicly recognized for her years of dedicated
27 service to the state of Iowa, the Iowa Senate, and
28 the Iowa General Assembly, and congratulated on her
29 retirement; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a formal copy of this

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1 resolution be presented to Lois Brownell, with the
2 sincere appreciation and best wishes of the Senate.