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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Valli Rebecca Montgomery Tolleson of 4 Gurnee, who passed away on April 28, 2020; and

5 WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson was born in Waukegan to Gladys
6 Marian (Humbert) and John "Jack" Robert Montgomery on July 25,
7 1945; she attended Whittier Elementary School and Daniel
8 Webster Secondary School; she graduated from Waukegan High
9 School in 1963; she married John Carroll Tolleson in Waukegan
10 at the Post Chapel, U.S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes on
11 October 19, 1968; and

WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson worked as a teller at the First National Bank in Waukegan; she then began a long and successful career at Abbott Laboratories; she retired from Abbott after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson had a love for embroidery work; she also enjoyed gardening, spending time with friends, and traveling, especially to England, Scotland, and Wales; she enjoyed visiting the farm in Waldwick, Wisconsin, where her mother was raised, and attending the Cornish festival in Mineral Point, Wisconsin; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson had a great sense of humor; she was
- 2 a wonderful hostess and had some of the best gatherings during
- 3 holidays for family and friends; her Fourth of July parties
- 4 were some of the finest; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson was preceded in death by her
- 6 parents and her brother-in-law, Gerald Edgar Tolleson; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Valli Tolleson is survived by her husband of over
- 8 50 years, John; her brother, Robert Bruce (Beverly "Bev")
- 9 Montgomery; her brother-in-law, Donald William (Barbara)
- 10 Tolleson; her niece, Kari Ann Montgomery; her niece, Lisa Marie
- 11 Montgomery; her niece, Shannon Cassondra Tolleson; her cousin,
- 12 Jack Terrill Humbert; her miniature Dachshunds, Guinness and
- 13 Lacy; and numerous close family friends and their families;
- 14 therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 17 Valli Rebecca Montgomery Tolleson and extend our sincere
- 18 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 19 her; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 21 presented to the family of Valli Tolleson as an expression of
- 22 our deepest sympathy.