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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Maria Martha Perez Laubhan of Hyde Park, who passed away on June 12, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Maria Laubhan was born in Mexico; at the age of 12, her family joined her father in the United States and settled in Chicago; she attended St. Francis Xavier School and graduated from Schurz High School in 1983, where she worked on the school newspaper and was instructed by then-editor of Crain's Chicago Business, Dan Miller; she earned a bachelor's degree in Latin American Studies from DePaul University in 1988, during which time she worked on the news desk at Time magazine's Chicago bureau; she earned a master's degree in government and international relations in 1990 from the University of Notre Dame, where she worked as a research assistant; and

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WHEREAS, From 1991 until 1995, Maria Laubhan held several positions at the National Society of Hispanic MBAs, now known as Prospanica, including working as a Chicago-based field manager for its summer enrichment program for high school students and as an education programs consultant; she then worked for two years at Barat College in Lake Forest as its Director of Career Planning; in 1998, she joined the staff of

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1 Northwestern University as the coordinator of its  
2 Hispanic/Latino student outreach; she left the university the  
3 following year to take a tenure-track teaching position at the  
4 College of Lake County, where she later earned tenure; and

5 WHEREAS, Maria Laubhan is survived by her husband, Laubhan;  
6 her son, Daniel; her brothers, Horacio, Miguel, Jose, David,  
7 and Baltazar; her sisters, Reyna and Aurora; and her father,  
8 Miguel; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
11 Maria Martha Perez Laubhan, and extend our sincere condolences  
12 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be  
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Maria Laubhan as an expression of  
16 our deepest sympathy.