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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 Rev. Janie A. Long of Wonder Lake, who passed away on August 31, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Janie was born in Lexington, Alabama to Nathan M. and Virgie Estelle (Chandler) Thornton on March 29, 1946; one of 14 children, she was raised on a farm outside of Lexington; she married John Alan Carter on June 10, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Janie was a longtime resident of Wonder Lake and was pastor of the Wonder Lake Pentecostal Church of God; she proudly founded and operated the Wonder Lake Church of God Food Pantry; she was active in her ministry in area nursing homes, as well as TV ministry on cable and on the Internet, primarily with her YouTube broadcasts; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Janie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; her sisters, Helen (the late Arlon) Stamps and Dora (the late Marvin) Clemmons; her brothers, Kenneth (the late Addie) Gray, John D. Thornton, Oscar Thornton, G.W. (the late Jewel) Thornton, Bobby Thornton, and Robert Thornton; and her sister-in-law-, Janice Carter; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Janie is survived by her sisters, Lillie (the

1 late Kenneth) Crosswhite and Katherine (Donnie) Roach; her
2 brothers, James (the late Ora) Thornton, Neal (Milline)
3 Thornton, and Richard (Shirley) Thornton; her loving nieces and
4 nephews; her special friend, Allen Scott; her daughter, Thresa
5 (Chris) Wait; and her grandson, Scott Priebe; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Rev. Janie A. Long, and extend our sincere condolences to her
9 family, friends, and those who knew and loved her; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Rev. Janie as an expression of our
13 deepest sympathy.