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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 Mary Ann Eckstein of Boulder, Colorado, formerly of Oak Park and Wheaton, on June 8, 2018 at the age of 81; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein was born on April 12, 1937 in Chicago to Anna and Andrew Miller, the youngest and only daughter of their four children; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein attended St. Mary's Catholic High School, where she made lifelong best friends who called themselves "Marybelles"; she received her bachelor's degree and master's degree in teaching and taught for over 25 years in Oak Park Elementary School District 97; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein had a love for learning and creative teaching methods that are carried on by the teachers she mentored and the students that she inspired; she continued to teach memory courses for adults at Triton College after her retirement from District 97; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein was a very active member in the St. Giles Family Mass Community, where she welcomed new members, edited "The Vineyard" newsletter and used her love of

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1 puzzles and games to help plan the yearly treasure hunt; she
2 was known to be a loving and supportive friend to many; she had
3 a sense of humor beyond compare and an abiding sense of care
4 for those around her; she was a dedicated supporter of the Oak
5 Park Education Foundation; and

6 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein learned to swim at the age of
7 67, so she could play in Lake Michigan with her grandchildren;
8 she "never ceased to be amazed by the beauty of the orange
9 sherbet sunset over Lake Michigan" and enjoyed her many years
10 and the good times had in Union Pier; and

11 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein was preceded in death by her
12 husband, Tom, her parents, and her brothers, Larry, Ray, and
13 Robert; and

14 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Eckstein is survived by her children,
15 Henry, Anne, and Liz, and her grandchildren, Jady and Amy
16 Laura; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
19 Mary Ann Eckstein and extend our sincere condolences to her
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
21 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Mary Ann Eckstein as an expression
3 of our deepest sympathy.