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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 Juanita Smith Dewith Barton of Springfield, who passed away on May 8, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Juanita Barton was born in Springfield to Walter B. Smith Sr. and Viola Smith Burney on October 20, 1926; she attended Iles Elementary School, Feitshans High School, Lincoln Land Community College, and Sangamon State University; and

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WHEREAS, Juanita Barton was an employee of the Arbee Printing Co., Sangamo Electric, the City of Springfield, and the State of Illinois Executive Ethics Commission; and

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WHEREAS, Juanita Barton was an activist, president, vice-president, secretary, executive board member, board member, and a member of various civic, community, and national organizations; and

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WHEREAS, Juanita Barton was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Kenneth E. Barton Sr.; her daughter, Allison Dewith Wilson and son, Eugene J. Mitchell; and her siblings, Walter B. Smith Jr., Marguerite Roberts, Elwood W. Smith, Robert C. Smith, James Smith, and Samuel Smith; and

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1 WHEREAS, Juanita Barton is survived by her son, Enyo
2 Dewith; her daughters, Mrs. Charles (Cecine Dewith) Jones, Mrs.
3 William J. (Letitia Dewith) Anderson, Mrs. Stephen (Shannon
4 Dewith) McCormick, and Mrs. Juan A. (Jai Dewith) Jones; her
5 stepsons, Kenneth E. Barton Jr. (Diane) and James W. Barton
6 (Antionette); her stepdaughter, Llewelyn T. Barton; 26
7 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; 10
8 great-great-grandchildren; and many beloved nieces, nephews,
9 cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Juanita Smith Dewith Barton and extend our sincere condolences
13 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Juanita Barton as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.