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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 Patricia Jo "Patty" Spencer, who passed away on September 20, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Patty Spencer was born in Kansas City, Missouri to Sam and Marie Armato on November 4, 1949; she married Byron Spencer in Chicago in 1981, and, three years later, they settled in Elmhurst; and

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WHEREAS, Patty Spencer worked for AT&T for 20 years, specializing in network administration; she took an early retirement in 1988 and became involved in the Elmhurst community; and

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WHEREAS, Patty Spencer was a volunteer and board member for various organizations, including the Kiwanis Club, the Elmhurst Art Museum Board, Elmhurst College, the Elmhurst Hospital Guild, and the Elmhurst Garden Club; she was a staunch supporter of community events and advocated for cancer awareness with the Relay for Life and the Edward-Elmhurst cancer outreach programs; and

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WHEREAS, Patty Spencer was first elected as the Elmhurst City Clerk in 2005; most recently, she was serving her fourth

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1 term in office; she had many responsibilities and took her role  
2 as a direct link between residents and government very  
3 seriously; she also served as the local election official and  
4 the Open Meetings Act officer for Elmhurst; and

5 WHEREAS, Patty Spencer was preceded in death by her parents  
6 and her sister, Anna Yonker; and

7 WHEREAS, Patty Spencer is survived by her husband of 38  
8 years, Byron; her stepdaughter, Amy (Jonathan) Brumley; her  
9 grandchildren, Eleanor, Theodore, and Clara Brumley; her twin  
10 brother, Carl (Theresa) Armato; her sister-in-law, Angela  
11 (Steve) Kidd; her nephews, Frank (Nikki) Armato and Andrew  
12 Kidd; her nieces, Carla Armato and Jackie (Jason) Hanson; her  
13 great-nephew, Jack Hanson; and her great-nieces, Anna and Ava  
14 Armato; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
17 Patricia Jo "Patty" Spencer and extend our sincere condolences  
18 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be  
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
21 presented to the family of Patty Spencer as an expression of  
22 our deepest sympathy.