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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Sandra Marie "Sandy" Oakes of Waukegan, 4 who passed away on October 6, 2019; and

5 WHEREAS, Sandy Oakes was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 6 to Esther Swarat Harrall on November 30, 1940; and

WHEREAS, Sandy Oakes worked as a registered nurse at Vista Health in Waukegan for over 50 years; she delivered babies, cared for NICU preemies, was a nursing supervisor, and taught prenatal classes; she concluded her career teaching sex education in schools throughout Lake County; and

WHEREAS, Sandy Oakes was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church; she was dedicated to her faith and spent countless hours volunteering; if someone was having a tough time or had something to celebrate, she would have a homemade dish prepared, a thoughtful card or gift sent, or a reassuring phone call planned, hoping to bring a smile; she was also a "surrogate" mom, grandma, sister, and friend to countless others; and

WHEREAS, Sandy Oakes was preceded in death by her mother, Esther Swarat Harrall; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Sandy Oakes is survived by her husband, Gordon;
- 2 her children, Greg (Kim) Oakes, Beth (Dave) Johnson, and
- 3 Richard (Elisabeth) Lanner; and her grandchildren, Madison and
- 4 Mackenzie Oakes, Nathan Johnson, and Marcus and Anna Lanner;
- 5 therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Sandra Marie "Sandy" Oakes and extend our sincere condolences
- 9 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
- 10 it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Sandy Oakes as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.