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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 Sally Stovall, who passed away on May 21, 2019 at the age of 70; and

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WHEREAS, Sally Stovall was born in Eunice, Louisiana to Reverend James L. and Alice Stovall on April 16, 1949; she grew up in South Louisiana; she graduated from Southern Methodist University and received her master's degree at Loyola University, Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Sally Stovall lived in Taiwan, Malaysia, Argentina, and across the United States, impacting lives before settling down in Oak Park in 2002; she worked for Illinois Action for Children; and

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WHEREAS, Sally Stovall relished visiting her grandchildren; after retiring from a career in organizational development, she embarked on a new career as a climate activist and community organizer with a passion for making the world a better place for future generations; and

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WHEREAS, Sally Stovall, alongside her loving partner Dick Alton, held a community meeting about global warming and formed Green Community Connections in September 2010; she took the

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1 helm and enlisted volunteers to create a website, launched
2 monthly newsletters, and held community meetings about native
3 plants, edible gardens, food waste, organic lawn care, and
4 more; her efforts helped spur a steady and sustained green
5 revolution in Oak Park and River Forest; and

6 WHEREAS, Sally Stovall spearheaded Green Community
7 Connections' largest program, the One Earth Film Festival, in
8 2012; she was instrumental in the success of the film festival
9 over the years, leading the charge to spread the festival to
10 Lake County and expanding its reach from the original
11 boundaries of Oak Park and River Forest; and

12 WHEREAS, Sally Stovall leveraged Green Block Parties to
13 disseminate news about planting milkweed, an essential food for
14 monarch caterpillar survival, in support of a project near and
15 dear to her heart called "Mobilizing for Monarchs"; and

16 WHEREAS, In 2015, Sally Stovall and Dick challenged
17 themselves to give up their car for 90 days in order to lower
18 CO2 emissions; in 2018, they gave up their car entirely; and

19 WHEREAS, Sally Stovall was a real-life role model for
20 living by your values; she was committed to building resiliency
21 for our planet and its people and connecting others to what
22 really matters; and

1 WHEREAS, Sally Stovall was preceded in death by her
2 parents, Reverend James L. Stovall and Alice Stovall; and her
3 siblings, Mary Alice Ballard and James "Jim" Stovall; and

4 WHEREAS, Sally Stovall is survived by her partner, Richard
5 "Dick" Alton; her sister, Carol (Pete) Broussard; her children,
6 Lee (Britt) Emerick and Teresa (Jeff) Madsen; her
7 grandchildren, Finn and Rory Madsen; and her many nieces and
8 nephews; therefore, be it

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

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Sally Stovall as an expression of
15 our deepest sympathy.