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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 Marian Constance Tetzlaff, who passed away on July 29, 2019 at the age of 90; and

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WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff was born Marian Constance DiGregorio in Chicago on March 7, 1929; she lived in the Oak Park-River Forest area for the majority of her life and spent her last years of her life in Solana Beach, California; and

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WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff was a member of Calvary Memorial Church in Oak Park for many years and also attended First Presbyterian Church in River Forest; she lived her faith fully by imparting her values of kindness, generosity, and thoughtfulness to her family; she always started and ended her day with devotion and prayer; and

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WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff raised five children while working full time; she worked in the City of Chicago for a large law firm as a lead legal assistant, while remaining extremely organized and efficient in running the family household smoothly; she kept an impeccable home and entertained with grace; and

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WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff was a woman of many talents,

1 including a passion for sewing, needlework, and knitting; her
2 hand was fine, and she knitted with a group of skilled knitters
3 until the end; she spent many years as a member of the 19th
4 Century Club in Oak Park, knitting for babies; and

5 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff had a beautiful voice and sang in
6 choirs large and small; one felt blessed to sit next to her in
7 church to hear her sing one of her favorite hymns "Holy, Holy,
8 Holy"; she loved opera and classical music and volunteered for
9 the Chicago Symphony Orchestra; and

10 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff traveled throughout the world and
11 especially loved the Smoky Mountains, where she enjoyed hiking
12 to view the wildflowers; and

13 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff remained an active learner
14 throughout her life; she embraced technology, had a weekly
15 video conference with her children, and kept an active email
16 correspondence with many; and

17 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff gathered a wide circle of friends
18 and had an insightful sense of humor; she was very beautiful
19 and had a countenance of optimism and grace that she
20 maintained throughout her life; and

21 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff was preceded in death by her

1 husband, George A. Tetzlaff, Jr.; and

2 WHEREAS, Marian Tetzlaff is survived by her children,
3 Gregory (Donna) W. Tetzlaff, Dr. Linda (Warren) T. Brubaker,
4 Laura (Robert) J. Godfrey, Lisa (Timothy) J. Pfiffner, and
5 Thomas G. Tetzlaff; her grandchildren, Dr. Aleah L. Brubaker,
6 Bradley K. Pfiffner, Rebecca E. Tetzlaff, Corey P. Pfiffner,
7 Gregory W. Tetzlaff II, Anita Morea, Keene N. Brubaker, and
8 Andrew T. Pfiffner; her great-grandchild, Matthew Warren
9 Morea; and her brother, Frank DiGregorio; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Marian Constance Tetzlaff 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 Marian Tetzlaff as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.