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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Martha Louise (Klein) Smith of  
4 Bethalto, who passed away on November 13, 2021; and

5           WHEREAS, Martha Smith was born to Marian (Broderick) and  
6 Robert Klein in Bethalto on October 10, 1949; she graduated  
7 from Civic Memorial High School in 1967; she married Dan Smith  
8 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Bethalto on  
9 October 11, 1975; and

10           WHEREAS, Martha Smith became a bank teller at Bethalto  
11 National Bank in 1967, and she advanced to vice president of  
12 the Bethalto branch of the First National Bank of Staunton;  
13 she also spent countless hours with her parents and older  
14 sister, Mary Ann, running the Klein's Store, a Bethalto  
15 landmark; and

16           WHEREAS, Martha Smith's pride in Bethalto compelled her to  
17 serve the community in multiple ways; she served as a village  
18 trustee and city clerk; she also found time to volunteer for  
19 the Boys and Girls Club of Bethalto and the Community Hope  
20 Center; and

21           WHEREAS, Martha Smith was deeply committed to her faith

1 and a lifelong member of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic  
2 Church; she was an active church member, especially on the  
3 Finance Committee and as a church trustee; she also served as a  
4 member of the Catholic Charities Board; and

5 WHEREAS, Martha Smith's family was her pride and priority;  
6 she loved taking family trips, vacationing in Destin, Florida  
7 for over 25 years and Key West for another 10 years, where she  
8 enjoyed soaking in the sun, laughing, and making memories; she  
9 was also a longtime fan of the Civic Memorial High School  
10 Eagles, and she enjoyed supporting her two sons in Eagles  
11 Athletics; and

12 WHEREAS, Martha Smith was preceded in death by her  
13 parents; and

14 WHEREAS, At the time of her passing, Martha Smith was  
15 survived by her husband, Dan Smith; her sons, Nick (Alyssa)  
16 Smith and Corey Smith; her sister, Mary Ann (Gene) Magac; and  
17 many others; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
20 Martha Louise (Klein) Smith and extend our sincere condolences  
21 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be  
22 it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Martha Smith as an expression of our  
3 deepest sympathy.