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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 Jacqueline Debra "Jackie" Hollie Rayburn of Mahomet, who passed away on November 6, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn was born to RB and Imogene Hollie at home in Hornbeak, Tennessee on May 4, 1953; she was raised in Union City, Tennessee; she married Jim Rayburn on May 3, 1975; she earned her Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Tennessee at Martin in 1975, where she served as a proud president of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority; she later earned her Master of Education from the University of Illinois in 1996; and

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WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn poured her heart and soul into teaching others, specifically junior high math and science for over 36 years, which included teaching in Rantoul for one year, Tolono for seven years, and Mahomet-Seymour for 28 years; she was the favorite teacher of countless students, and she continued to be a devout member of the Sub-List for Mahomet-Seymour Junior High School until May 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn spent her favorite days soaking up the sun and walking the beach with her best friends, shopping for treasures at antique markets and garage sales, gardening

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1 the most beautiful flowers on D Street, playing cards with
2 lifelong friends, cheering for her Bulldogs in the bleachers
3 of every sporting event, and reading a good book in her egg
4 chair; her favorite place on Earth was her front porch; and

5 WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn's greatest joy in life was her
6 family; she was the life partner and list-maker extraordinaire
7 to her husband; she was a best friend to her daughters; she was
8 the biggest cheerleader for her grandchildren, who
9 affectionately called her "Nana"; she will be remembered for
10 her smile and for possessing a light within her that rivaled
11 the sunshine itself; and

12 WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn was preceded in death by her
13 brother, Larry Hollie; and

14 WHEREAS, Jackie Rayburn is survived by her husband of 47
15 years, Jim; her daughters, Jamie (Andy) Pruitt, Jessica
16 (Kevin) Dyer, and Jennifer (Mike) Soderlind; her
17 grandchildren, Adam, Lucas, Eli Jackson, and Henry Dyer, Chloe
18 Jaclyn, Ryan, and Paige Pruitt, and Knox and Hollie Soderlind;
19 her sister, Dianne Thomason; her nieces and nephews, Kim
20 Fulcher, Mike King, Mark King, and their families; and her
21 sweet puppy, Scout; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 Jacqueline Debra "Jackie" Hollie Rayburn and extend our
3 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
4 and loved her; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Jackie Rayburn as an expression of
7 our deepest sympathy.