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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 Deborah Leigh "Deb" Kilby of Virginia, who passed away on October 9, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Deb Kilby was born to William S. and Ruth M. Watkins Kilby in Jacksonville on February 6, 1953; she graduated from Virginia High School in 1971 and then from Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas, where she lettered in volleyball, basketball, and softball all four years; and

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WHEREAS, Deb Kilby began her coaching career at Illinois College in Jacksonville; she instrumental in the development of the women's athletic programs during the late 1970s and early 1980s; over a period of seven years, she coached the softball, volleyball, basketball, and tennis teams, and she helped each program make the transition to the Midwest Conference; her teams won a total of 138 contests from 1979 through 1985; she coached the 1982-83 basketball squad as it reached the IIAAW state playoffs for the first time; she also directed the Lady Blues to the South Division basketball championship during the 1984-85 season; her 1983 softball team reached the league playoffs and qualified for IIAAW postseason play; for her efforts, she was inducted into the Illinois College Sports Hall of Fame in 2006; and

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1 WHEREAS, Deb Kilby worked for UPS in Jacksonville and
2 later became a security guard for the Springfield FBI Office;
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4 WHEREAS, Deb Kilby was a member of the Virginia United
5 Methodist Church; she enjoyed playing co-ed softball; she also
6 enjoyed watching her nieces and nephews in all of their
7 activities; she loved being at home, spending time with her
8 dogs, and watching all sports; and

9 WHEREAS, Deb Kilby was preceded in death by her parents
10 and her sister, Glenda E. Perry; and

11 WHEREAS, Deb Kilby is survived by her siblings, Nancy J.
12 Anderson, William R. (Venita) Kilby, and Robert T. (Cindy)
13 Kilby; her nieces and nephews; and her great-nieces and
14 great-nephews; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
17 Deborah Leigh "Deb" Kilby and extend our sincere condolences
18 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Deb Kilby as an expression of our
2 deepest sympathy.