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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 Maureen Macy Lober, who passed away on December 12, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen Lober was born to Maurice and Ila Glee Macy in Streator on May 28, 1927; she grew up in Litchfield until her family moved to California and Florida during World War II; she attended the University of California, Los Angeles and then graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Florida State University; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen Lober's family returned to Litchfield after the war; she taught English and Spanish at Litchfield High School; she married fellow teacher and basketball coach, Arlyn Lober, in 1950; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen Lober attended the Lincoln College of Law while teaching in Litchfield; she graduated at the top of her class and became the first woman attorney to be a member of the Illinois Bar Association; she practiced law with her father at Macy and Lober Attorneys at Law in Litchfield for the next 65 years; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen Lober and Arlyn moved to Springfield in

1 1952, where she was active in many organizations, including  
2 Zonta International, the P.E.O. Sisterhood, the American  
3 Association of University Women, and the Litchfield Women's  
4 Club; she was an elected member of the first Springfield  
5 Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority Board that  
6 was responsible for building the Prairie Capital Convention  
7 Center (Bank of Springfield Center); she was also an active  
8 and devoted member of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church until it  
9 merged into Peace Lutheran, where she attended with family  
10 every Sunday; she was exceptionally generous with her time and  
11 money for many local charities; and

12 WHEREAS, Maureen Lober loved her family and her bridge  
13 club, including her lifelong surviving friends, Marilyn Kyes,  
14 MaryAnn Armstrong, Joanne Hott, and Sidney Kling; she also  
15 loved her many pets, horseback riding, swimming, skiing,  
16 gardening, reading, traveling, music, arguing politics, and  
17 correcting one's grammar; and

18 WHEREAS, Maureen Lober was a women's rights activist and  
19 politically involved all of her life; she led by example and  
20 was loved and respected by friends, family, and clients; she  
21 had a kind and caring nature, always looking on the bright side  
22 and concentrating on people's good points; she was a devoted  
23 wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, and nothing  
24 brought her more pleasure than the accomplishments of her

1 children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

2 WHEREAS, Maureen Lober was preceded in death by her  
3 husband of 72 years, Arlyn; her daughter, Laurette; her  
4 sisters, Carol Neave and Janet Golovner; and her parents; and

5 WHEREAS, Maureen Lober is survived by her daughters, Becky  
6 (Denny) Hendricks, Rose (Ric) Lober Hamilton, and Chris (Todd)  
7 Green; her grandchildren, Macy (Nick) Lober Morrison, Thomas  
8 Hamilton, Gabe Green, and Audrey Green; her  
9 great-grandchildren, Eli Cook, Teagan Bensko, Jacob Morrison,  
10 and Scarlett and Gianna Green; her brother-in-law, Al Neave;  
11 and many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
14 Maureen Macy Lober and extend our sincere condolences to her  
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it  
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of Maureen Lober as an expression of  
19 our deepest sympathy.