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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 L. "Debbie" Jerisha, who passed away on September 6, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Debbie Jerisha was born to Harold and Ruth (Ogrzewalla) Clark in Du Quoin on March 24, 1951; she attended Joliet Public Grade Schools and Joliet Central High School for two years before moving to Milwaukee with her mother, where she graduated from Washington High School; she married Anthony "Tony" Jerisha Jr.; she attended Joliet Junior College before ultimately leaving the nursing program to raise her family; and

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WHEREAS, Debbie Jerisha was a stay at home mom, raising her sons, and returned to work outside the home after they were grown; and

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WHEREAS, Debbie Jerisha enjoyed Florida vacations with her family and camping trips to South Wilmington Sportsman's Club in Essex; she was a passionate advocate for animal rights; she loved owning and riding horses and feeding the wildlife in her backyard, including the fish in the pond, squirrels, and birds; she liked watching documentaries and programs about the supernatural; and

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1 WHEREAS, Debbie Jerisha was preceded in death by her
2 mother, Ruth; her father-in-law, Anthony Jerisha Sr.; her
3 mother-in-law, Dorothy Jerisha; and her dogs, Pooh Bear, Boo
4 Bear "Bear", and Taffy; and

5 WHEREAS, Debbie Jerisha is survived by her husband of 53
6 years, Tony; her sons, Anthony "Little Tony" (Lori) Jerisha
7 and Dr. Jason Jerisha; her brother-in-law, Dr. John (Susan)
8 Jerisha; her nephew, Joshua Jerisha; her grandchildren, Darin
9 Jerisha and Taylor Chamness; several cousins; and her cats,
10 Squirrel and Picasso; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Deborah L. "Debbie" Jerisha and extend our sincere condolences
14 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Debbie Jerisha as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.