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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Abigail Elise "Abbey" Edwards of Springfield, who was born on November 18, 1999 and passed away on January 24, 2024; and

Department, where she was soon to begin a new position; she also loved working with children and taught at Silver Leaf Academy prior to joining the Springfield Police Department; her love of the police department helped her decide to register for classes in the fall of 2023; she enjoyed her courses at Lincoln Land Community College and maintained a 4.0 GPA while working two jobs; and

WHEREAS, Abbey Edwards was a vivacious young woman who lived life to the fullest; her smile and confidence would shine in every room; she knew no strangers; she loved everyone fiercely, and that love was shown through the toughest of times; she was a wonderful daughter, little sister, and big sister; she always let everyone know how she felt and was the first to offer love when needed; and

WHEREAS, Abbey Edwards is survived by her parents, Elizabeth and Don Edwards Jr.; her brother, Alex Edwards; her

- 1 sister, Allie Edwards; her grandparents, Martha Brown and
- 2 Polly and Don Edwards Sr.; her cats, Coraline and Beans; and
- 3 all those who loved her; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 6 Abigail Elise "Abbey" Edwards and extend our sincere
- 7 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 8 her; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of Abbey Edwards as an expression of
- 11 our deepest sympathy.