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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Chicago Alderman JoAnn Thompson, who 4 passed away on February 9, 2015; and
- 5 WHEREAS, JoAnn Thompson was born in Chicago on September 6 18, 1956 to Exlean Gosa and Thomas Fowler; she married Joseph 7 "Ricky" Thompson; and
- 8 WHEREAS, JoAnn Thompson joined the Cook County Sheriff's 9 Department in 1995 and worked her way up the ranks to 10 Lieutenant; and
- 11 WHEREAS, JoAnn Thompson was inaugurated as the 54th 12 Alderman of the 16th Ward on May 21, 2007; and
- WHEREAS, JoAnn Thompson was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph; her parents; and her sisters, Naomi Mayfield,

  Kitty Mae Ware, and LaRose Ellis; and
- WHEREAS, JoAnn Thompson is survived by her son, Joseph; her daughters, Melanie and Latrece; her grandchildren, DeVonte
  Thompson, Jessica Gines, Jerrika Gines, Ernest Gibson, and
  Maiyah Carlo; her step-father, Birdsee Gosa; her brother,
  Alfred Ellis; her sisters, Elaine Poole, Janette Henderson

- 1 (Rev. Clifford Henderson) and Clemteen Hunt; her aunt; and a
- 2 host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, colleagues; and her
- 3 16th Ward family; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 6 Chicago Alderman JoAnn Thompson, and extend our sincere
- 7 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 8 her; and be it further

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- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of JoAnn Thompson as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.