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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The world is aging and by 2030, 22.3% of the
3 Illinois population will be over 60, and by 2060, nearly one in
4 three will have reached that age; and

5 WHEREAS, The MacArthur Foundation Research Network on an
6 Aging Society suggests that the preparation for aging in
7 America is an opportunity for rethinking the challenges for all
8 generations; and

9 WHEREAS, Generations Serving Generations, an organization
10 founded by a broad-based coalition of education, aging, and
11 service organizations in 1986 is sponsored by the Illinois
12 Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Department on Aging;
13 it expanded through a National Governors Association project in
14 2008, which brought new momentum for civic engagement in
15 service, learning and work, and building capacity to work
16 together; and

17 WHEREAS, Illinoisans are redesigning the disciplines of
18 education, service, and work to reflect a working-together
19 mindset based on the teamwork of individuals and generations; a
20 strong example of this collaboration is the effort toward the
21 goal that by 2025, 60% of Illinoisans will complete a
22 postsecondary degree or credential; and

1 WHEREAS, Illinoisans across generations offer their
2 priceless contributions and leadership through service,
3 volunteering, and service-learning, leveraged for education,
4 pathways to work, and successful aging; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that Generations Serving
7 Generations in cooperation with the coalition of education,
8 aging, workforce, service organizations and state agencies,
9 will promote local intergenerational discussions called
10 Understanding the Challenges for each Generation; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That by December 31, 2017, Generations Serving
13 Generations will complete a report to the Governor and the
14 General Assembly called "Solutions Across Generations,
15 Understanding the Challenges for each Generation" that
16 reflects the ideas of Illinoisans throughout their life spans,
17 from early learners to those in the last days of life; and be
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That it is the goal of the State of Illinois to
20 adopt and support policies and programs that assure that as our
21 population ages, they will continue toward a cohesive,
22 productive, secure, and equitable society; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 delivered to Scott McFarland, Executive Director of
3 Generations Serving Generations.