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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 Chris R. Stevens, a 50-year resident of Lake Forest, who passed away on December 28, 2016 at the age of 67; and

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WHEREAS, Chris Stevens was born in Evanston; she attended elementary schools at Saints Faith, Hope & Charity in Winnetka, and the School of St. Mary in Lake Forest; she graduated from Lake Forest High School in 1967, and Barat College in 1971 with a degree in sociology; she had the opportunity to spend her junior year of high school in South Korea, where she made many friendships that have lasted through the years and where she was also a cheerleader for EASCOM; and

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WHEREAS, Following graduation, Chris Stevens began a long and fulfilling career of service with Lake County CETA/Private Industry Council leading to her role as Director for Job Placement and Training; her care and concern for the well-being of others was also shared through years of volunteer efforts with United Way of Lake County where she served as Treasurer; and

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WHEREAS, Chris Stevens was known for her outstanding cooking skills and the beautiful results of her gardening; she

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1 spent summers boating on Lake Michigan where she could kick
2 back and read or catch up with friends; her love of water took
3 her scuba diving and fishing in the Florida Keys; one of her
4 prize catches was a 54 inch 45 pound Barracuda; her ultimate
5 love was time spent with family but most especially the deep
6 love she shared with her husband, Scott, and their son, Paul;
7 her laughter, sense of fun, concern for others, and honesty
8 will be sorely missed; and

9 WHEREAS, Chris Stevens was preceded in death by her
10 parents, Paul and Madelyn Reitz; and her father-in-law, John
11 Stevens; and

12 WHEREAS, Chris Stevens is survived by her husband of over
13 43 years, Scott Stevens; her son, Paul (Tara) Stevens; her
14 grandchildren, Jake and Parker Stevens; her sisters Debbie and
15 Diane Reitz; her mother-in-law, Bev Stevens; her
16 sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Peggy Hendershot, Mike
17 Stevens, Lyn (Curt) Drathring, and Ole (Sonya) Stevens; and
18 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
21 family and friends, mourn the passing of Chris R. Stevens, and
22 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
23 who knew and loved her; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Chris Stevens as an expression of
3 our deepest sympathy.