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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 Jo Ann Marie Robinson of Bolingbrook, who passed away in April of 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Robinson was born in Bolingbrook on June 27, 1956; she graduated from DuSable High School; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Robinson served in prison ministry from 1993 to 1998; she hosted an award-winning cable show, "From the Heart Show"; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Robinson founded the H.E.A.R.T. Organization Community Service Program in 1999 and served as its director; participants in the program are affectionately known throughout her community as the "Spiritual Boot Camp Soldiers"; the program has assisted thousands of children, helping them avoid prosecution and convictions; it has been featured in the Joliet Herald, the Bolingbrook Sun, and The Patch Newspaper; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Robinson was awarded the "John F. Whiteside" lifetime achievement award from the Will County Sheriff's Department, the "National Chiefs of Police Citation", and the "Seekers of Justice Award" from the Black

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1 Bar Association in 2012; she was voted "Citizen of the Year" by  
2 Mayor Roger Claar, and honored by the American Association of  
3 University Women as the "Distinguished Woman the Year"; in 2005  
4 and 2006, she received the AT&T "Beyond the Call" award; she  
5 was awarded "Female Citizen of the Year" by DuPage Township,  
6 and was honored by the DuPage AME Church for her work with  
7 at-risk youth; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
10 Jo Ann Marie Robinson, and extend our sincere condolences to  
11 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it  
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Jo Ann Robinson as an expression of  
15 our deepest sympathy.