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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Captain Eleanor "Ellie" LeBeau Cooke of Belleville, who passed away on August 27, 2023; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Capt. Cooke was the daughter of David and 6 Victoria LeBeau, and she was the fifth of eight children; and
- WHEREAS, Capt. Cooke attended Blessed Sacrament Catholic
 School and Althoff Catholic High School, both in Belleville;
 she graduated from Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky
 in 2016, where she was a member of the dance team; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Capt. Cooke served as a pilot in the U.S. Marine 12 Corps; she was commissioned on August 11, 2018 and promoted to 13 captain on March 1, 2023; and
- WHEREAS, Through the U.S. Marine Corps, Capt. Cooke met her husband, fellow pilot Chase Cooke; they were married at St. Anthony Catholic Church in St. Louis, Missouri; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Capt. Cooke served with distinction, setting 18 forth the same zeal and commitment she gave to everything; she 19 will be remembered for bringing joy, exuberance, and an 20 abundance of love into the world; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
 2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
 3 Captain Eleanor "Ellie" LeBeau Cooke and extend our sincere
 4 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
 5 her; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Capt. Cooke as an expression of our deepest sympathy.