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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 Joanne M. "Jodie" Adler, who passed away on July 4, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Joanne Adler was born on November 26, 1931 in Chicago; her parents were Mildred (nee Ward) and Harry Biddle; and

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WHEREAS, Joanne Adler attended St. Hilary School in Chicago, Immaculate Conception School in Morris, Morris Community High School, St. Francis Academy in Joliet, St. Mary's College in South Bend, and the University of St. Francis in Joliet; and

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WHEREAS, Joanne Adler was part of the original staff of TV station WABI in Bangor, Maine, the first station north of Boston; and

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WHEREAS, Joanne Adler volunteered at the Shady Oaks Cerebral Palsy summer program; she worked with the early childhood development program at the Encyclopedia Britannica Center at the University of St. Francis in Joliet; she was also the founder of the Fountainview Banquet Center, a special site for many different events; and

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1 WHEREAS, Joanne Adler was a member of Sacred Heart Parish
2 in Joliet and Mary Mother of Jesus Inclusive Catholic Community
3 in Sarasota; she and her husband were the founding host couple
4 of the Young Christian Nurses Association of Joliet, regional
5 directors of the Christian Family Movement, co-founders of
6 Joliet's Spanish Center, and regional members of the Christian
7 Family Movement; she was also a member of the Catholic-Jewish
8 Dialogue of Chicago and the Visitation and Aid Society; and

9 WHEREAS, Joanne Adler was preceded in death by her
10 daughter, Margaret Mary and her brother-in-law, Jack (Dorothy)
11 Adler; and

12 WHEREAS, Joanne Adler is survived by her husband of 62
13 years, Joe; her brother, Ward Biddle. C.P., Passionist Order;
14 her sisters, Jackie (the late John) Berg and Mary Kay (the late
15 John) Aisthorpe; her sister-in-law, Mary Beth (Dr. Arthur)
16 Wilhelmi; she was the loving and devoted mother of 7, the
17 grandmother of 22, and the great-grandmother of 5, which
18 includes Dan and his family, Jake (Megan), Rachel (Robert)
19 Ayoung Chee, Emma, Josh, and Nathan; Teddy (Ray) Finney and his
20 family, Bridget Thomas (Brad) and their children, Izzy and
21 Ellie; Emily (Nanasei) Agyemang and her son, Finney, Jenna
22 (Brian) Murphy and her daughter, Mary; Jackie (Sam) Tucci and
23 her family, Sam, Tony, and Jeff; Chris (Lori) and his family,

1 Meghan (AJ) Vivaldelli, Matt, CJ, and Sarah; Mike (Joanne) and
2 his family, Kelly, Mike (Caitlin), Erin (Dave) Skaggs, and
3 Collin; and Jay (Patty) and his family, Jenny, Joe, IV
4 (Elisabeth) and his sons Joseph, V and Jon; she was also
5 blessed with additional children, Mardo Caceres and Joy
6 Basilisco, and was an inspirational aunt to numerous nieces and
7 nephews; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
10 family and friends, mourn the passing of Joanne M. "Jodie"
11 Adler; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Joanne Adler as an expression of our
14 sympathy.