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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Joyce
4 Elaine Gunter of Sesser, who passed away on December 25, 2015;
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6 WHEREAS, Joyce Gunter was born in Christopher on July 27,
7 1950 to Andrew Earl and Clara Aline (nee Crocker) Brown; she
8 graduated from Sesser-Valier High School in 1968 and married
9 Hershel Lee Gunter on June 19, 1971 at Methodist Church in
10 Sesser; and

11 WHEREAS, Joyce Gunter worked as general assistance job
12 project coordinator for the Goode Township Supervisor from
13 April 1, 1986 to June 30, 2010; she worked part-time for the
14 City of Sesser as Maple Hill Cemetery secretary from January 4,
15 1999 to April 30, 2014, when she retired; she worked at Decca
16 Records in Pinckneyville before her marriage and shortly after;
17 she worked at the Sesser Garment Factory during mine layoffs;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Joyce Gunter was community minded and actively
20 involved for many years with the Sesser Junior Woman's Club,
21 the Sesser Junior Baseball-Softball Youth Organization, the
22 Sesser Opera House Restoration, the Sesser Area Chamber of

1 Commerce, the Sesser American Legion Auxiliary, the Southern
2 Illinois Arthritis Foundation, and the Goode-Barren
3 Historical-Genealogical Society; she and her mother cataloged
4 the Maple Hill Cemetery and put it in book form in 1996, which
5 was sold by the historical society; and

6 WHEREAS, Joyce Gunter was preceded in death by her husband,
7 Hershel Lee Gunter; her father, Andrew Earl Brown; her paternal
8 grandparents, Asia Nat and Lettie Belle (Miller) Brown; her
9 maternal grandparents, Raymond J. and Mary Della (McBride)
10 Crocker; her father and mother-in-law, Albert Murphy and Leona
11 (Van Hoyer) Gunter; and her brother and sister-in-law, Francis
12 Albert and Judith "Judy" Ann (Pomroy) Gunter, and their son,
13 Keith Allen Gunter; and

14 WHEREAS, Joyce Gunter is survived by her mother, Clara
15 Aline (Crocker) Brown; her 3 sons and their families, Brian Lee
16 Gunter and his wife, Angela Lynn (Murphy), Brent Andrew Murphy
17 Gunter and his wife, Melissa Ann (Donoho), and Brice Taylor
18 Gunter and his wife, Karla Marie (Nipper); her 9 grandchildren,
19 Lukas Brian Gunter, Elijah "Eli" Eugene Gunter, Garrett Lee
20 Gunter, Gabe Edward Gunter, Annabelle "Belle" Lynn Gunter,
21 Brayden Andrew Murphy Gunter, Cody Raymond J. Gunter, Bryla
22 Marie Gunter, and Stella Elaine Gunter; her sisters and brother
23 and their families, Ruth Ann Brown Hicks, Glenna Jean Brown and
24 her husband, Ronald Ray Roberson, and David Earl and his wife,

1 Sharon Kay (Kern) Brown; her nieces and nephews, William
2 "Billy" Gale Hicks, Vicki Lynn (Hicks) and her husband, Bruce
3 Alan Lewis, Alan Dale and his wife, Kelley Leann (Loucks)
4 Hicks, Patrisha "Tish" Ann (Hicks) and her husband, Robert
5 "Bob" Edward Pinegar, Roger Earl and wife, Sandra Dianne
6 (Pitchford) Hicks, Richard Ray Roberson, Randall Rex Roberson,
7 Edward Dean Ritchie, Crystal Gail (Brown) and her husband,
8 Scott David Dunseth, and Dustin Earl and wife, Noelle Shelby
9 (Shultz) Brown; her great-nephews and nieces are Ryan Gale
10 Hicks, Christin Michelle Hicks, Jordan Lee Hicks, William
11 Andrew "Andy" and wife, Anna Kathaleen "Katie" (House) Lewis,
12 Wade Alan Lewis, Alyn Beth (Hicks) and husband, Timothy James
13 Newbury, Tiffany Chanelle (Hicks) and husband, William Eric
14 Powell, Sarah Elizabeth (Hicks) Alexander, Mahaylah Claire
15 (Hicks) and husband, Timothy Lee Mabrey, Robert Ethan Hicks,
16 Dustin Lee Hicks, Alyana Brooke Hicks, Michael Edward, Jeanna
17 Ann Louise Pinegar, Timothy John Hicks, Issac Lee Hicks and
18 fiancée, Kelsey Whitecotton, Katie Dianne (Hicks) and husband,
19 Kyle Ray Phillips, Grace Abigail (Hicks) and husband, Michael
20 Phelps, Jonathon Dean Ritchie, Owen Nathaniel, Amelia Paige
21 Dunseth, Collin Andrew Brown, Lauren Elizabeth Brown; her
22 great-great-nephews and nieces include Halle Nicole Meiner,
23 Waylon Lee Hicks, Cadean Ryan Hicks, Skyler Lynn Lewis, Layla
24 Belle Newbury, Alba James Newbury, London Rhyan Powell, Talan
25 Michael Alexander, Brooklyn Nevaeh Grace, Ashlee Nicole Hicks,
26 Torie Aline Pinegar, Jacob "Jake" Aaron Hicks, Joshua "Josh"

1 Thomas Hicks, Joseph "Joey" Robert Hicks, Gauge Ray Phillips,
2 Karlie Mae Phillips, Della Kate Phillips, and Noa Grace Phelps;
3 Gunter brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law include Donald Ray
4 and wife, Sharlyn Kay (Offerman) Gunter, Allen Dakle and wife,
5 Diane (Rector, Tanner) Gunter, Brenda Lou Gunter, Garry Wayne
6 and wife, Dori Sue (Cowsert) Gunter, Dennis James and wife,
7 Lori Dawn (Bearden) Gunter, and Linda Sue (Gunter) and husband,
8 Samuel "Sam" Wink; Gunter nieces and nephews are Heather Kay
9 (Gunter) and husband, Joshua Lee Raymond and daughter, Piper
10 Ann, Sherri Dawn Gunter and daughter, Shayna Ranae Sloan, Jason
11 Ray and wife, Shawna Diane (Wingo) Gunter and children, Gavin
12 Ray, Jaslyn Nicole, Cory Don Gunter, and children Jordan Scott,
13 Joshua Ray Gunter, Jaxson Michael Gunter, Marty Allen and wife,
14 Vicki Leigh (Garmane) Gunter and daughter, Michelle Leigh
15 (Gunter) and husband, Craig Allen and daughter, Jazmine
16 Nichole, Wendy Sue (Gunter) Anderson and children, Alex Lee,
17 and Mollie Sue Anderson, Kyle Wayne and wife, Cara Lynn (Frey)
18 Gunter and son, Ryan Gunter, Kara Charlene Gunter and
19 daughters, Valerie Marie Gunter and Ariel Michelle Gunter,
20 Samuel Blake and wife, Misty Kay (Baker) Wink, and daughter,
21 Makenne Faye Newell, and Nekko Lee Wink and fiancée, Mikala
22 Chamness and son, Jaden Murphy Kellerman; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
24 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
25 mourn the passing of Joyce Elaine Gunter, and extend our

1 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
2 and loved her; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Joyce Gunter as an expression of our
5 deepest sympathy.