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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Alice Christine Saudargas; and 4 WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas was born on May 18, 1916 in 5 Fairdale; and 6 WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas graduated with a master's degree 7 in education from Northern Illinois University; while there, she met her husband, Alex Saudargas; and 8 9 WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas worked as a special education teacher before becoming principal of Elmwood Center, a school 10 11 for emotionally disturbed children; she retired from the school 12 district in 1986; during her career, she led committees to help 13 make the Rockford schools more inclusive of all children and to maintain the legacy of West High School; and 14

WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas was the oldest serving school board member in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas was honored by the City of Rockford in 2011 with an "Alice Saudargas Day" for her lifelong contributions and commitment to Rockford, education, and children; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas was preceded in death by a
- 2 daughter; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Alice Saudargas is survived by 9 children; 16
- 4 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and the hundreds of
- 5 students she supported and mentored throughout her long career;
- 6 therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
- 9 family and friends, mourn the passing of Alice Christine
- 10 Saudargas; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Alice Saudargas as an expression of
- our sympathy.