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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 Shirley Mungai of Oak Park, who passed away on October 4, 2024 at the age of 93; and

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WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai was born in Pendleton, Indiana on November 15, 1930 and moved to Oak Park in the 1940s; and

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WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai attended St. Edmunds School and later Oak Park River Forest High School; and

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WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai married Joseph J. Mungai before they moved to Elgin to start a family, and they had four children together; and

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WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai moved back to Oak Park, living at the Oak Park Arms for six years and attending mass at St. Edmunds or Ascension every Sunday, and she was a frequent sight around Oak Park, enjoying long walks all over town; and

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WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai loved children, and making them happy was a source of her own joy; life at the Oak Park Arms enabled her to see many preschoolers for whom she knitted dolls and stuffed animals; and

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1 WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai found great comfort and joy in her
2 connection to faith, and she was always looking for new
3 adventures or to spend a day "gallivanting", one of her
4 favorite words; and

5 WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai will be remembered for her keen
6 sense of humor, kindness, generosity, unconditional love for
7 those close to her, and care for anyone in need of comfort; and

8 WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai was preceded in death by her eight
9 siblings; her husband; her daughter-in-law, Bonny; and her
10 son, Joe; and

11 WHEREAS, Shirley Mungai is survived by her children, Diana
12 (Dianne Jones), Maria (Henry Sampson) and Ed; her
13 grandchildren, Abby (Dustin King) and Phil; her
14 step-granddaughters, Beth (Eric Vandemark) and Gwen (Jim
15 Walski); her step-great-granddaughters Madeline, Penny, and
16 Evelyn; many nieces and nephews; and her sisters-in-law, June
17 and Rita; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Shirley Mungai and extend our sincere condolences to her
21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
22 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Shirley Mungai as an expression of
3 our deepest sympathy.