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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 Ellen Clare Hamaker of Lehigh Acres, Florida, who passed away on February 28, 2026; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker, the daughter of Celestine and Otis Hunter, was born in Decatur on August 7, 1965; she graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in 1983, and she married Kory Hamaker on May 3, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker found her calling in helping other women find recovery; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker loved spending time with her husband and their son, Avery Lane Hamaker; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker lived a life full of kindness, laughter, and love that touched everyone fortunate enough to know her; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker was preceded in death by her parents and her parents-in-law, Barb and Don Hamaker; and

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WHEREAS, Ellen Hamaker is survived by her siblings, David (Valerie) Hunter, Greg (Connie) Hunter, Mark (Mary Simmons)

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1 Hunter, Patrick (Sandy) Hunter, Sean (Sue) Hunter, Todd  
2 Hunter, Ann (Michael) Holmes, and many nieces, nephews,  
3 great-nieces, and great-nephews whom she loved deeply;  
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
7 Ellen Clare Hamaker and extend our sincere condolences to her  
8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it  
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Ellen Hamaker as an expression of  
12 our deepest sympathy.