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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 Claudia Ann Aho Hoogasian, who passed away on January 7, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian was born in Waukegan to Tagne and Taisto Aho on February 18, 1943; she married the love of her life, Judge Jack Hoogasian, in 1965; she received a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and earned her Juris Doctorate degree from The John Marshall Law School-Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, The primary focus of Claudia Aho Hoogasian's 25 year legal career was the field of family and children's rights; she started in private practice and then worked as a Chief Assistant State's Attorney in the Lake County State's Attorney's Office; and

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WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian was active in many professional organizations, including the National District Attorneys Association, Jefferson Inns of Court, the Association of Women Attorneys, the Illinois Department of Public Aid Child Support Advisory Committee, and several bar associations; and

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1 WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian led a long life of
2 philanthropic work, including working for the Church of the
3 Holy Spirit's Native American Partnership with St. Michael's
4 Mission located on the Wind River Indian Reservation-Wyoming,
5 the United Way of Lake County, the Order of Eastern Star, the
6 Lake County YMCA, the Camp Jorn YMCA, the Clearwater Camp for
7 Girls, Stephen Ministries, and PEO Chapter KV of Lake Forest;
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9 WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian was an avid reader, talented
10 knitter, and adventurous world traveler; she embraced her
11 Finnish roots and her husband's Armenian heritage by passing
12 down family traditions to her children and grandchildren; she
13 loved spending time at her homes in northern Wisconsin, where
14 she was active in the communities and served on many non-profit
15 boards; and

16 WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian is preceded in death by her
17 husband, Judge Jack Hoogasian; and her parents, Tagne and
18 Taisto Aho; and

19 WHEREAS, Claudia Aho Hoogasian is survived by her children,
20 Sara (Louis) Pickus, Amy Hoogasian, Mary Hoogasian, and Gary
21 (Jennifer) Hoogasian; her grandchildren, Rachel Pickus, Jack
22 Pickus, Charlie Pickus, and Hunter Hoogasian; her sister,
23 Connie Hughes; and her brother, David (Suzanne) Aho; therefore,

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2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Claudia Ann Aho Hoogasian and extend our sincere condolences to
5 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Claudia Aho Hoogasian as an
9 expression of our deepest sympathy.