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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Susan Marilyn (Strom) Mogerman of 4 Springfield, who passed away on July 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Susan Mogerman was born in Chicago to David H. Strom and Sylvia Abelson Strom on June 11, 1945; she attended South Shore High School in Chicago, where she was active in the arts and dramatics; her artistic talents were recognized with a scholarship to the Art Institute of Chicago; she attended the University of Illinois and the University of Missouri's School of Journalism; she married Jay Mogerman in Chicago on July 6, 1967; they moved to Springfield in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Susan Mogerman was among the young journalists who started The Illinois Times weekly newspaper; shortly thereafter, she was appointed to Governor Jim Thompson's Press Office, which began a long career of public service with the State of Illinois; she served as the director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency for more than a decade, where she was long involved in planning and developing the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum; she directed Downtown Springfield, Inc. before becoming the chief operating officer of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library Foundation, helping to build and open the facility; she also helped

- 1 establish the foundation's Lincoln Leadership Prize, which has
- 2 been presented to such luminaries as Archbishop Desmond Tutu,
- 3 Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, and astronaut Jim
- 4 Lovell; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Susan Mogerman was a member of Congregation
- 6 Temple Israel in Springfield, the synagogue's Sisterhood, and
- 7 Hadassah; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Susan Mogerman was preceded in death by her
- 9 parents and her brother, Dr. Terry Strom; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Susan Mogerman is survived by her husband, Jay;
- 11 her sons, Josh Mogerman (Jo-Elle) and Rob Mogerman; her
- 12 grandson, Isaiah; her brother, Michael; and a bevy of cousins,
- 13 nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 16 Susan Marilyn (Strom) Mogerman and extend our sincere
- 17 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 18 her; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 20 presented to the family of Susan Mogerman as an expression of
- 21 our deepest sympathy.