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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 Susan M. Beecher-Curtiss, who passed away on May 8, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss was born to Ralph and Margaret (Proctor) Beecher in Bloomington on March 21, 1950; she was raised in rural Anchor; after a move to Missouri with her family, she graduated from Cape Girardeau Central High School; she married Frank Curtiss on August 11, 1973, and they raised their two daughters in Rowe; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss worked at the Pontiac branch of The American Lung Association for many years; she later worked as the secretary for Pontiac Township; she served as the acting supervisor for Esmen Township; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss served in many positions as a board member for Township Officials of Illinois and Township Supervisors of Illinois; her knowledge of township government was vast, and she had an ongoing dedication to teaching others; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church of Pontiac and carried her faith with her

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1 always; she was a 37 year breast cancer survivor and often  
2 accompanied family and friends to their treatments, as she  
3 knew the toll of therapy; she was an active member of the  
4 Pontiac Rotary Club and often spoke of her excitement for the  
5 annual Christmas party benefiting the children of the  
6 community; and

7 WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss was a master crocheter; she  
8 enjoyed playing cards every chance she had with her friends  
9 and watching her favorite sports teams, the Chicago  
10 Blackhawks, the St. Louis Cardinals, and the Chicago Bears;  
11 her favorite pastimes were simply visiting with friends and  
12 spending time with her family; she was most proud of being a  
13 mom and grandma and was lovingly called "Mommy Duck" by her  
14 husband; and

15 WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtiss was preceded in death by  
16 her parents; her younger sister and best friend, Janice Long;  
17 her paternal grandparents; and her maternal grandparents; and

18 WHEREAS, Susan Beecher-Curtis is survived by her husband;  
19 her daughters, Tami (Greg) Putnam and Jennifer Curtiss (Noah  
20 Kilmer); her grandsons, Ethan Putnam, Owen Putnam, and Aaron  
21 Putnam; her granddogs, Mitzi, Darby, and Ollie; her brothers,  
22 Bryan (Karen) Beecher and Todd (Sandra) Beecher; her nieces  
23 and nephews; her great-nieces and great-nephews; her several

1 cousins; and her countless friends; therefore, be it

2       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
4 Susan M. Beecher-Curtiss 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 Susan Beecher-Curtiss as an  
9 expression of our deepest sympathy.