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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Pamela Jo "Pam" Clarkin of 4 Edwardsville, who passed away on December 13, 2021; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Pam Clarkin was born to Herbert and Dorothy
 6 (Ludwig) Fellhauer on September 29, 1951; her family briefly
 7 lived in rural Troy before moving to Edwardsville; she
 8 attended Lincoln Elementary School and graduated from
 9 Edwardsville High School in 1969; she married Michael Clarkin
 10 in 1971 and graduated from Southern Illinois University
 11 Edwardsville in 1983; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Pam Clarkin was well-known throughout
 13 Edwardsville as the 15-year partner with her longtime friend
 14 Kathy Lohr of the We Can Do This decorating company and for her
 15 extensive community service and charitable work; and
- MHEREAS, Pam Clarkin was a member of Immanuel United
 Methodist Church of Edwardsville and the United Methodist
 Women, where she most recently served as president; she was
 active in the Glen Carbon American Legion Post 435 Auxiliary
 and Edwardsville American Legion Post 199, volunteering for
 fish fries, working golf nights as the beer cart girl, and
 leading weekly euchre tournaments; she was also an active

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- 1 member of the Democratic Party, supporting candidates and
- 2 serving as an election judge across four decades; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Pam Clarkin was renowned for her kindness, as 4 well as her joy, wit, nurturing, intellect, fairness, honesty, and faith; she enjoyed reading, traveling, cards, antiques, 5 6 puzzles, board games, animals, concerts, and going to the 7 theater; despite claiming to have no culinary skills whatsoever, her baked goods, cookies, candies, and fudge were 8 9 widely enjoyed by family, friends, and her church's bake 10 sales; she was a loving mother and grandmother, and nothing 11 filled her with more joy and pride than the happiness of her
- 13 WHEREAS, Pam Clarkin was preceded in death by her husband,
 14 Mike; her parents; her beloved dog, Burke; and her grandpuppy,
 15 Harold; and

children and grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, Pam Clarkin is survived by her sons, Thomas, and his dog, Richard, and David (Rebecca); her grandchildren, 17 William and Caroline; her siblings, David (Becky) Fellhauer, 18 19 Pat (Armand) Boudreau, Penny (Tom) May, Dale Fellhauer, and 20 Dennis (Brian) Fellhauer; her sister-in-law, Chris (Barry) 21 Steele; her nieces and nephews, Tracy, Randy, Armand J., 22 Kelly, Trisha, Patrick, Kimberly, and Matthew; her beloved 23 cousins and their families; and many special friends,

- 1 including her best friend for over 50 years, Cheri Drescher;
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 5 Pamela Jo Clarkin and extend our sincere condolences to her
- family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 7 further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the family of Pam Clarkin as an expression of our
- 10 deepest sympathy.