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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Reverend Dennis Bushkofsky of Oak 4 Park, who passed away February 2, 2023 at the age of 64; and

5 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky was born to Ronald and Marie 6 (Kuper) Bushkofsky in Oelwein, Iowa on July 15, 1958; he 7 married Linda Post, and they had two children, Judy and Jayden 8 Jackson; and

9 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky received a Bachelor of Arts in 10 Music from Luther College in 1980; he earned a Master of 11 Divinity from Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia in 12 1986, and he later earned a Master of Arts in Liturgical 13 Studies from St. John University in 1999; and

14 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky served congregations of the 15 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in Pennsylvania, 16 Minnesota, and Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky devoted a portion of his ministry to intentional interim assignments, guiding congregations through pastoral transitions; and

20 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky was an editor and writer of

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3 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky was an active figure in the 4 Community of Congregations, an interfaith organization serving 5 Oak Park, River Forest, and surrounding communities; and

6 WHEREAS, Rev. Bushkofsky was preceded in death by his7 father; and

8 WHEREAS, At the time of his passing, Rev. Bushkofsky was 9 survived by his wife of 33 years, Linda Post Bushkofsky; his 10 children, Judy and Jayden Jackson; his granddaughters, Jordyn 11 Jackson and Alexandria Mauricio; his mother; his brother, 12 Duane; and a host of family, friends, colleagues, and Oak Park 13 residents; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL 15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 16 Reverend Dennis Bushkofsky and extend our sincere condolences 17 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be 18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 20 presented to the family of Rev. Bushkofsky as an expression of 21 our deepest sympathy.