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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 Patricia M. "Pat" Holden of Hoffman Estates, who passed away on June 29, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Pat Holden was born in Billings, Montana on October 6, 1957 to Martha and Edward Holden; she graduated from Billings High School and went on to receive a bachelor's degree in political science and labor studies from Oregon State University; she served as the very first intern lobbyist at the Oregon State Legislature; and

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WHEREAS, Pat Holden joined Bank of America in 2001 and was a senior vice-president, serving in state and local government relations; she was responsible for the strategy to manage the bank's public policy area in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin; she worked with elected officials across the Midwest and especially in her beloved City of Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Prior to joining Bank of America, Pat Holden was Vice-President of State Affairs for the American Insurance Association (AIA), where she was the Midwest lobbyist for 9 years, based in Chicago; in 1986, she became Philip Morris' Director of Government Affairs for the Midwest before joining

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1 the AIA; and

2 WHEREAS, Pat Holden was a 4-year member of the board of  
3 directors of the State Government Affairs Council, a  
4 professional lobbyist organization whose members are corporate  
5 governmental affairs staff with multi-state responsibilities;  
6 she was also President of the Industry Advisory Council of the  
7 National Conference of Insurance Legislators after serving  
8 several terms on the board of directors; and

9 WHEREAS, Pat Holden's civic and community activities were  
10 varied throughout her career, including her election as a  
11 Commissioner of the Hoffman Estates Park District and serving  
12 on numerous boards and commissions; she was instrumental in  
13 engaging the bank with After School Matters, a non-profit  
14 organization founded in 1991 by former Chicago First Lady  
15 Maggie Daley that offers Chicago high school teens innovative  
16 out-of-school opportunities to explore and develop their  
17 talents in the arts, communications, science, sports, and  
18 technology, while gaining critical skills for work, college,  
19 and beyond; and

20 WHEREAS, Pat Holden was preceded in death by her parents;  
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22 WHEREAS, Pat Holden is survived by her husband of nearly 20

1 years, Charley Burhan; her 3 sisters; and her 7 nieces and  
2 nephews; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
5 Patricia M. "Pat" Holden, and extend our sincere condolences to  
6 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 Pat Holden as an expression of our  
10 deepest sympathy.