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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Ericka Jennifer Smith of Crystal Lake, 4 who passed away on October 7, 2017; and 5 WHEREAS, Ericka Smith was born to Mike and Toddi (Baseley) 6 Conway on April 9, 1971; she was the first member of her family 7 to graduate from college; she earned her bachelor's degree from 8 Northeast Missouri State University and her master's degree 9 from National Lewis University, where she graduated with 10 honors; she married Eric Smith in Crystal Lake on December 5, 1998; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Ericka Smith's passion was the English language; 13 she was an expert storyteller and was able to challenge her 14 audience's perspective and make them laugh out loud; and 15 WHEREAS, Ericka Smith was preceded in death by her maternal 16 grandparents, Claude and Mary Baselev; her 17 grandmother, Leona Conway; and her aunt, Lynne Donarski; and 18 WHEREAS, Ericka Smith is survived by her husband of 18 19 years, Eric; her pride and joy, Keegan Kathe; her parents, Mike 20 and Toddi Conway; her sister, Katie (Joe) Sharp; her nieces,

Lilly, Maggie, and Abby; and her in-laws, Charles and Gerda

- 1 Smith; therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 4 Ericka Jennifer Smith and extend our sincere condolences to her
- 5 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 Ericka Smith as an expression of our
- 9 deepest sympathy.