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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 Frances Rose "Fran" Burkey of Joliet, who passed away on March 27, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Fran Burkey was born in Globe, Arizona to Louis and Mary (Kspan) Zdunich on January 10, 1939; she was one of 10 children; she graduated from St. Francis Academy in Joliet; she received her nurse's training at Little Company of Mary in Evergreen Park; she earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the University of St. Francis; she married Franklin Burkey at St. Mary's Nativity of Joliet in 1962; together, they raised 4 boys; and

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WHEREAS, Fran Burkey was an active member of First Presbyterian Church of Joliet; she enjoyed traveling, the arts, reading, nature, gardening, and bird-watching; and

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WHEREAS, Fran Burkey was known for being gentle and wise, a good listener with an open heart; for her, laughter came often and easily; she loved nothing more than gathering with loved ones to share food, music, stories, and humor; she will be remembered as a loving wife, a dear sister, a devoted mother, and a doting grandmother; and

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1           WHEREAS, Fran Burkey is survived by her husband, Frank; her  
2           sons, John, James (Donna), Ben, and Loren (Amy); her  
3           grandchildren, Grace, Caleb, Evan, Aaron, Tobias, and Olivia;  
4           her brothers, Branimer, Nick, and Louis Zdunich; and her many  
5           nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
7           ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
8           Frances Rose "Fran" Burkey and extend our sincere condolences  
9           to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be  
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11          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12          presented to the family of Fran Burkey as an expression of our  
13          deepest sympathy.