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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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and

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Sondra 4 Lea Hecox of St. Charles, who passed away on March 19, 2016;

WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox was born in Clarion, Iowa to Irvin and Freda Harmon on August 28, 1936; she attended Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa and the American Business Institute; she married Dale Hecox on June 7, 1956; and

WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox worked for the City of Iowa City, Iowa until her husband completed his education; they then moved to Oak Park, where she worked as Director of Personnel for the Sunbeam Corporation; she kept that position until her first daughter was born, at which time she became a full-time homemaker and moved to Elmhurst; she and her family moved to St. Charles in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox loved the Republican Party, and she and her husband came to represent all that was best about the Grand Old Party; Senators, Congressmen, and political leaders all sought her counsel and approval; she was a tireless Republican advocate and volunteer; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox was a precinct committeewoman for
- 2 years in St. Charles; she walked her precinct and other
- 3 precincts, making sure everyone knew about Republican
- candidates; and
- 5 Sondra Hecox was involved in practically
- 6 everything related to the Kane County Republican Party; she
- 7 organized every event from the booth at the county fair to
- 8 fundraising events to staffing the office; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox and her husband were awarded
- 10 President George W. Bush's Crystal Award in 2004 for their
- 11 volunteer efforts in Kane County; she was also voted the Kane
- 12 County Republican of the Year in 2004; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox and her husband were honored with a
- 14 Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012 from the Kane County
- Republican Party; she volunteered in many election campaigns on 15
- 16 the federal, State, and county level, and her enthusiasm
- 17 engaged everyone who knew her; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox loved gardening and landscaping; she
- 19 was a member of the Pottawatomie Garden Club, participating in
- their shows and events; and 20
- 21 WHEREAS, Sondra Hecox is survived by her loving husband,

- 1 Dale; her two daughters, Sharon Grether and Susan Sherman; one
- 2 granddaughter; and three grandsons; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 5 mourn the passing of Sondra Lea Hecox, and extend our sincere
- 6 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 7 her; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the family of Sondra Hecox as an expression of our
- 10 deepest sympathy.