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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Milena A. McConchie of Hawthorn Woods, who passed away on February 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Milena McConchie was born on June 24, 1973; she was raised in Varna, Bulgaria, and she lived through the collapse of Communism in 1990 when she was 16 years old; she subsequently attended America University in Bulgaria, where she excelled; and

WHEREAS, During her collegiate tenure, Milena McConchie went on a summer program on free market economics offered by The Fund for American Studies in Prague, Czech Republic; while there, she met her future husband, Dan McConchie, and they were engaged six months later; shortly thereafter, she was diagnosed with cancer linked to the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster; despite this, she and Dan remained committed to their relationship and were married during the middle of her cancer treatment; and

WHEREAS, Milena McConchie and Dan both became accomplished professionals and had two wonderful daughters; as her husband pursued his dreams and became an state senator for Illinois, she encouraged his career aspirations by always sending him to

1 work with containers of homemade food for his lunches,
2 expressing that it was her form of participating; and

3 WHEREAS, Milena McConchie, even while undergoing immense
4 suffering due to the cancer, radiation, and chemotherapy
5 treatments, rarely showed how much they pained her; and

6 WHEREAS, Milena McConchie will be remembered as a lover of
7 freedom, a devoted follower of her faith, and a woman of
8 considerable strength; and

9 WHEREAS, Milena McConchie is survived by her husband,
10 retired Illinois State Senator Dan McConchie, and her
11 daughters, Sophia and Kristina; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Milena A. McConchie and extend our sincere condolences to her
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Milena McConchie as an expression
19 of our deepest sympathy.