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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Nancy M. Hahn of Springfield, who
4 passed away on May 5, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn, the daughter of Mercedes and Robert
6 McHugh, was born in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on January 25,
7 1932; she graduated from Ursuline Academy in St. Louis,
8 Missouri; she and her family moved to Springfield in 1951; she
9 attended Webster University in Webster Groves, Missouri and
10 Saint Catherine's College in Saint Paul, Minnesota; she
11 received a Master of Arts from University of Illinois
12 Springfield; she married Carl H. Becker Jr. in 1956, and they
13 had three children and were married for 30 years before their
14 divorce; she later married Ralph C. Hahn; and

15 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn was a member of the Springfield Junior
16 League, where she served as a docent at the Illinois State
17 Museum for many years and participated as a guide in all
18 Abraham Lincoln historical events; she was also active in many
19 other organizations, including as a lifetime member of the
20 Lincoln Memorial Garden, a leader of a Land of Lincoln Girl
21 Scout troop, and a member of the University of Illinois Alumni
22 Advisory Board, the University of Illinois Springfield
23 Chancellor's Circle, the Women for Women of Springfield

1 Community Foundation, the EO Chapter of the Philanthropic
2 Educational Organization, the Springfield Art Association
3 Board of Directors, Illini Country Club, and the Illinois
4 Women's Golf Association's traveling golf team, where she once
5 won a longest drive competition; and

6 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn was a member of Blessed Sacrament
7 Parish, where she frequently prepared food for the priests,
8 and she was also a founding member of Christ the King Parish;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn enjoyed walking her dogs, gardening,
11 watercolor painting, bird-watching, entertaining, cooking,
12 golfing, hiking, boating, art collecting, going to museums
13 with her son, John, and traveling, including taking
14 bird-watching trips to Belize and Costa Rica and bringing
15 groups to cooking school and on barge trips in France; and

16 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn was forever young at heart, and she
17 lived true to her values of family, friends, faith, community,
18 and philanthropy; and

19 WHEREAS, Nancy Hahn was preceded in death by two husbands
20 and one grandchild; and

21 WHEREAS Nancy Hahn was the mother of Ann Marie "Aimee"

1 (Steve Heaviland) Lanphere, Martha (Dr. Dwight) Hirsch, and
2 John Carl Becker; the grandmother of four; and the
3 great-grandmother of three; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
6 Nancy M. Hahn and extend our sincere condolences to her
7 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Nancy Hahn as an expression of our
11 deepest sympathy.