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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to recognize Sue Bustin on her service as medical caseworker of the Joliet Township Government Office for more than two decades; and

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WHEREAS, Sue Bustin was born and raised in Joliet, graduating from Joliet East High School and obtaining her associate's degree from Joliet Junior College; she proceeded to attend Illinois Masonic Medical Center School of Nursing and earned her Bachelor of Science from the University of Wisconsin; and

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WHEREAS, Sue Bustin was hired as medical caseworker of the Joliet Township Government Office on June 17, 2002, where she worked until her retirement on December 26, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, In her role as medical caseworker, Sue Bustin provided Joliet Township residents with information on available community resources and was responsible for assisting residents who were awaiting short- or long-term disability through the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability (SSD) programs as well as worker's compensation, personal injury settlements, or were off work due to health issues; through the Joliet Township General

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1 Assistance welfare program, she also assisted with rent,
2 mortgage, or utility payments while residents waited for their
3 benefits to be approved; and

4 WHEREAS, Sue Bustin's duties included running the Joliet
5 Township's medical loan closet, always guaranteeing that those
6 in need were able to obtain the proper equipment required;
7 under her guidance, the medical loan closet expanded
8 significantly, and it now provides a wide range of medical
9 equipment and supplies; she further represented the township
10 at Community Cares Program meetings with the Joliet Fire
11 Department and worked with Share Fest to ensure the township's
12 micro pantries were fully stocked; and

13 WHEREAS, During her tenure, Sue Bustin was noted for
14 serving her clients with attentiveness, compassion, and
15 empathy, and her selfless efforts were previously recognized
16 when she was named one of the 2017 Herald News Everyday Heroes;
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18 WHEREAS, Sue Bustin has remained active in her community,
19 serving as a four-time president of the American Legion Post
20 1080 Auxiliary, a past president of both the Will County
21 American Legion Auxiliary and the 11th District American
22 Legion Auxiliary, a longtime member of the Abraham Lincoln
23 National Cemetery Support Committee, a 30-year member of the

1 Exchange Club, a five-year member and two-year president of
2 the Will County Humane Society Board, and a volunteer for
3 Honor Flight Chicago, Operation Care Package, the Special
4 Olympics, and various breast cancer causes; she has also
5 visited veterans at Hope Manor Joliet and local nursing homes;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Sue
9 Bustin for her service and dedication as medical caseworker of
10 the Joliet Township Government Office for 23 and a half years;
11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Sue Bustin as an expression of our esteem and
14 respect.