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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Jenny 4 Elizabeth Geirnaeirt of Jacksonville, who passed away on June 5 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Jenny Geirnaeirt was born in Jacksonville to Andrew and Sandra Jean Eoff Stremlau on September 3, 1971; she graduated from Routt Catholic High School in 1989; she earned her communications degree from Illinois College, where she was an active member of Gamma Delta Literary Society; she married Terry Geirnaeirt at Rammelkamp Chapel on the Illinois College campus in Jacksonville on July 6, 2002; and

WHEREAS, Jenny Geirnaeirt was a longtime public servant in Jacksonville; she served under former State Representative Jim Watson; she then served as the legislative director for State Representative C.D. Davidsmeyer; she served as a Ward 4 alderman from 2009 to 2015; she was appointed to Morgan County Treasurer in 2015, and she was re-elected in 2018; in recognition of her service as county treasurer, she was awarded the 2019 Illinois County Treasurer of the Year Award for Zone 2 by the Illinois County Treasurers' Association; she was noted by city and county officials for being a hard worker, full of life, and always a pleasure to be around; and

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- WHEREAS, Jenny Geirnaeirt was very active in her community and was involved with the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, the Jacksonville Art Association and the Beaux Arts Ball, the Strawn Art Gallery, and the Routt/Our Saviour Dreams Fundraiser; she was a lifelong member of the Church of Our Saviour; she participated in league bowling for years and once received the honor of Bowler of the Year; she was an active supporter of her children's activities and loved being a "hockey mom"; she was an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and the St. Louis Blues; and
- WHEREAS, Jenny Geirnaeirt was known as an exceptional cook, a problem solver, and someone with a larger than life presence who lit up every room she entered; she will be remembered as an incredible mother and the glue that held her large family together; her one of a kind personality will leave a mark on the Jacksonville community forever; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Jenny Geirnaeirt was preceded in death by her 18 father; her stepfather, Robert Fisher; and her grandparents, 19 Ralph and Dorothy Eoff; and
- 20 WHEREAS, At the time of her death, Jenny Geirnaeirt was 21 survived by her husband; her children, Grace, Lilly, and Owen; 22 her mother, Sandra Eoff Fisher; her brother, Andrew Stremlau;

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- 1 her sister, Julie Stremlau; and her numerous step-siblings,
- 2 nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends;
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 5 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 6 we mourn the passing of Jenny Elizabeth Geirnaeirt and extend
- 7 our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who
- 8 knew and loved her; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of Jenny Geirnaeirt as an expression
- of our deepest sympathy.