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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Shwuyi Leu, Ph.D. of Oak Park, who passed away on July 23, 2021 at the age of 59; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leu was born in Taipei, Taiwan on February 4, 1962; she was the second daughter of Mau-Chi Leu and Mei-Yu Lee Leu; she obtained her degree in English and Literature from Tamkang University in 1980, and she worked in the business sector in Taiwan upon graduation; she moved to the United States after several years; she earned her Master of Arts, Master of Education, and Ph.D. in Education from the University of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leu taught reading and literacy development at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Department of Education at Saint Xavier University in Chicago; she later taught at North Central College in Naperville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Leu had a lifelong interest in reading; her curiosity about things unfamiliar brought her from East to West and sustained her ongoing learning in many areas; her curiosity and passion for literature made her a respected teacher for many enthusiastic students to whom she taught the Chinese language, the English language, and reading; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Leu is survived by her husband, Ralph R.
- 2 Kazer; her three sisters; her brother; her stepchildren,
- 3 Auben, Lena, and Max; and her step-grandchildren, James and
- 4 Lily; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Shwuyi Leu, Ph.D. and extend our sincere condolences to her
- 8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Dr. Leu as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.