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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Rockford  
4 Alderman Linda McNeely, who passed away on April 24, 2023; and

5           WHEREAS, Linda McNeely was born in Rockford to John and  
6 Juanita McNeely on September 16, 1955; she graduated from  
7 Auburn High School and received her associate's degree from  
8 Wilbur Wright College; she received her bachelor's degree in  
9 government from the University of Denver and her master's  
10 degree in business from Roosevelt University; and

11           WHEREAS, Linda McNeely was self-employed as a tax preparer  
12 and dedicated more than a quarter of a century to public  
13 service; and

14           WHEREAS, Linda McNeely was first elected as an alderman  
15 for the City of Rockford in 1997 and continued to serve until  
16 her passing; she dedicated 26 years of her life to serving her  
17 community as an alderman; she was also elected as a 16th  
18 Congressional District State Central Committeewoman in 2002,  
19 2006, and 2010; and

20           WHEREAS, Linda McNeely was a kind and compassionate person  
21 as well as a strong advocate for her ward; she was never afraid

1 to voice dissent, provide perspective, and argue for what she  
2 believed was right; and

3 WHEREAS, Linda McNeely was preceded in death by her  
4 parents; her sisters, Anna Marie Pickett and Marie Hudson; and  
5 her brother, Leon McNeely; and

6 WHEREAS, Linda McNeely is survived by her nephews, Andrew  
7 McNeely, who she loved like a brother, Lamont Hudson, Pierre  
8 McNeely, Christopher Pickett, Hassan (Carla) Muhammad, and  
9 Lawrence (Stephanie) Pickett; her niece, Lophina Thompson; and  
10 numerous other relatives and friends; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
12 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we mourn the passing of Rockford Alderman Linda McNeely and  
14 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all  
15 who knew and loved her; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Linda McNeely as an expression of  
18 our deepest sympathies.