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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Nanci L. Vanderweel of Elk Grove Village, who passed away on July 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Nanci Vanderweel was a public servant and a longtime resident of Elk Grove Village; in 1971, she became the first woman trustee elected to the Elk Grove Village Board of Trustees, and she subsequently served for three terms; after taking a short break from politics, she was asked to serve on the Elk Grove Township Board; during her tenure, she became enamored with the township and authored a book on its history; upon the passing of then-Supervisor Dick Hall, she was appointed as supervisor, becoming the first female supervisor of Elk Grove Township, a position she held until her retirement at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, Nanci Vanderweel was successful in making positive, lasting changes to her community; she was the driving force behind the creation of the I-290 interchange at Biesterfield Road in the late 1980s, established a blood donation program that still exists today, arranged the move of the historical farmhouse that now serves as headquarters to the Elk Grove Historical Museum & Society from its original location on Arlington Heights Road to its current location on

1 Biesterfield Road, and supported Elk Grove gaining its own

- 2 funeral home; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Nanci Vanderweel belonged to many organizations,
- 4 commissions, and boards, which included serving as a charter
- 5 member of the Friends of Harper College, a member of the
- 6 Alexian Brothers Medical Center Board of Directors, and a
- 7 member of the 214 Education Foundation Board; she was also a
- 8 firm and vocal supporter of the Kenneth Young Center operating
- 9 in Elk Grove Village; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Nanci Vanderweel loved her community fiercely,
- 11 believed in helping others and the concept of paying it
- 12 forward, and was devoted to her family; she will be remembered
- as a public servant who brought immeasurable gifts and vision
- to Elk Grove Village and Township; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Nanci Vanderweel was the wife of Leonard
- Vanderweel; the mother of Kitty Weiner; the grandmother of
- 17 Jacob Weiner and Ellie (Adam) Weiner; the great-grandmother of
- 18 Evie; the sister-in-law of Donald (Karen) Vanderweel; and an
- 19 extended family member of Joanne (Paul) Dorn and their
- 20 daughters, Paula and Jeanine; therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

- 1 Nanci L. Vanderweel and extend our sincere condolences to her
- 2 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 3 further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to the family of Nanci Vanderweel as an expression
- of our deepest sympathy.