## PROCLAMATION HONORING STATE SENATOR EARLINE ROGERS

- WHEREAS, Gary native, Earline Rogers dedicated her life to the service of her community both in education and politics; and
- WHEREAS, prior to spending more than three decades in the Indiana General Assembly, Earline Rogers was a teacher in the Gary Public School System for 38 years; and
- WHEREAS, Earline Rogers served two years on the Gary Common Council and was the first woman elected President; and
- WHEREAS, Earline Rogers served eight years in the House of Representatives and was elected to the Indiana Senate in 1990, where she served for 26 years representing a district largely comprising of the City of Gary; and
- WHEREAS, during Ms. Rogers' tenure at the Statehouse much of her legislative work centered on education, she championed other major issues including casino gambling; and
- WHEREAS, Earline Rogers commanded the respect of all who knew her for her dedication, integrity, and hard-work; she was an outstanding civic and community leader, recognized as such by all who worked with her; and
- WHEREAS, Earline Rogers demonstrated in her life and her relations with fellow human beings the highest of ideals and personal commitment to her God and to the betterment of all mankind; and
- WHEREAS, the citizens of Lake County have been deeply saddened by the passing of Earline Rogers.
- NOW, THEREFORE the Lake County Council hereby:

Honors Earline Rogers for her meritorious service to the citizens of Lake County and for her lasting legacy to her community.

The Lake County Council hereby recognizes and memorializes the passing of our very dear friend, Earline Rogers; a copy of this Proclamation shall be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy shall be deligered to the family of Earline Rogers.

DATED this 8th day of October, 2024

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