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8 **SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

9 TO REMEMBER PUBLIC SERVANT, PUBLIC POLICY EXPERT, AND
10 EMMY AWARD-WINNING JOURNALIST ALICE STEWART.
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13 **Subtitle**

14 TO REMEMBER PUBLIC SERVANT, PUBLIC
15 POLICY EXPERT, AND EMMY AWARD-WINNING
16 JOURNALIST ALICE STEWART.
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18 WHEREAS, public servant, public policy expert, and Emmy-political
19 journalist Alice Stewart, formerly of Virginia, passed away May 18, 2024; and
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21 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was born March 11, 1966, in Atlanta, Georgia,
22 and started her career there as a local reporter and producer before moving
23 to Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1998 to be a news anchor with KARK-TV; and
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25 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart went on to serve as the communications director
26 for then-Governor Michael Dale "Mike" Huckabee and also served in this role
27 for Huckabee during his presidential campaign in 2008; and
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29 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart served the people of Arkansas as Deputy
30 Secretary of State under Arkansas Secretary of State Mark Martin; and
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32 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was communications director for the presidential
33 campaigns of former United States Representative Michele Bachmann, former
34 United States Senator Rick Santorum, and United States Senator Ted Cruz; and
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36 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was hired by CNN as a political commentator



1 ahead of the 2016 presidential election and appeared on air frequently,
2 including as a regular guest of "The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer"; and
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4 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart also served on the senior advisory committee at
5 the Institute of Politics at Harvard University's Kennedy School, where she
6 previously was a fellow; and
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8 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was guided by a deep faith in Jesus Christ and a
9 strong conviction to follow Him, and was a faithful member of The Church at
10 Rock Creek in Little Rock, Arkansas; and
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12 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was devoted to loving her family well, and
13 adored her sisters Andrea Schwind and Heather Thompson (Pete), brother Eric
14 Fraker (Vikki), nieces Brittney Lerzo (Michael) and Katie Schwind, and
15 nephews Jonathan Schwind (Madison) and Thomas Schwind; and
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17 WHEREAS, in her free time, Alice Stewart was an avid and competitive
18 runner, and was instrumental in the founding of the Little Rock Marathon,
19 serving in many roles, including Media Director; and
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21 WHEREAS, Alice Stewart was a board member of Girls on the Run of
22 Central Arkansas, a nonprofit that honored her by saying of Alice Stewart,
23 "Alice knew the importance of teaching girls they have limitless potential
24 and the power inside to lift up themselves and others"; and
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26 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Leslie Rutledge said of Alice Stewart,
27 "Alice was a wonderful friend to me and never wavered in her love for others.
28 She was one of the hardest working people I have ever known. Alice was a
29 gracious and generous host, always inviting others to come fellowship with
30 her"; and
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32 WHEREAS, CNN program host Wolf Blitzer said of Alice Stewart, "We
33 always invited her to come on my show because we knew we would be a little
34 bit smarter at the end of that conversation. She helped our viewers better
35 appreciate what was going on and that's why we will miss her so much"; and
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1 WHEREAS, Kenneth Heard wrote of Alice Stewart in Arkansas Money &
2 Politics magazine, "I respected Alice Stewart more than any reporter I dealt
3 with during my two decades in news"; and
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5 WHEREAS, former Governor Michael Dale "Mike" Huckabee said of Alice
6 Stewart, "She was an avid runner and marathoner and encouraged me during my
7 training for the 2005 Little Rock Marathon. She did an ongoing feature about
8 the training and my completing the marathon, the first of several for me",
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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
12 STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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14 THAT the Senate remember public servant, public policy expert, and Emmy
15 Award-winning journalist Alice Stewart.
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