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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Dorothy "Dottie" Parsons-Freeman of Alton, who passed away on February 18, 2017 at the age of 81; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Parsons-Freeman was born in Alton to Walter and Kathleen (King) Stilwell on December 18, 1935; she married Ronald L. Parsons on October 11, 1953, and later married Elbert "Tot" Freeman on December 26, 2004; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Parsons-Freeman graduated from Marquette Catholic High School in 1953; she was a very active member of Ss. Peter & Paul Proto-Cathedral in Alton, and volunteered at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Novitiate in Godfrey; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Parsons-Freeman was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Ronald; and a brother, John Stilwell; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Parsons-Freeman is survived by her husband, Elbert; three daughters, Deborah (Kevin) Stahlschmidt, Nancy Kilmer, and Susan (Gary) Dyer; one son, Tom (Ann) Parsons; one stepdaughter, Ann (Spencer) Duncan; three stepsons, John Freeman, David Freeman, and Daniel (Sandy)

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1 Freeman; six grandchildren, Mike (Deanna) Stuart, Erin (Eddie
2 Gerber) Stahlschmidt, Jeremy (Star) Parsons, Krista Parsons,
3 Hannah Dyer, and Nathan Dyer; 15 step-grandchildren; 11
4 great-grandchildren; one brother, Gerald Stilwell, and a
5 brother-in-law, Daryl Parsons; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Dorothy "Dottie" Parsons-Freeman, and extend our sincere
9 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
10 her; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Dorothy Parsons-Freeman as an
13 expression of our deepest sympathy.