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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 Irene M. Allen of Joliet, who passed away on June 18, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Irene Allen was born in Taylor Springs to Andrew and Anna (Trusa) Krull on April 5, 1924 and was raised and educated in Mazon; she graduated from Coal City High School and attended the University of Illinois, where she earned her bachelor's degree in 1946; she married Robert B. Allen Jr. in Assumption Catholic Church in Coal City on May 4, 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Irene Allen worked for the family business, Allen Bottling Company; later in life, she enjoyed employment in retail sampling commerce; and

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WHEREAS, Irene Allen was a member of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Joliet, where she participated in the Paulites, and over the years was active in the Joliet Catholic Mothers Club, TOPS, 4-H, the Joliet Artists League, and the Artists of the Greenhouse; she was a talented artist and an accomplished seamstress; she took great pleasure in baking and was awarded for her Banana Creme Pie; she was proud to have been a finalist in the Ms. Illinois Senior Citizens Pageant; and

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1 WHEREAS, Irene Allen was preceded in death by her parents;
2 her grandson, Joshua Allen; her sister, Mary Ann Newcomb; her
3 brother, A. Robert Krull; and her nephew, Andrew Krull; and

4 WHEREAS, Irene Allen is survived her husband of 70 years,
5 Robert; her children, Robert B. (Sheila) Allen Jr., Larry
6 (Laurie) Allen, David (Jacque) Allen, Kathy (Sam) Cindrigh,
7 Charlie Allen, and Andy Allen; her grandchildren, Bart, Ben,
8 Luke, John, Brad, Ryan, Kate, Nate, Jill, Kevin, William,
9 Arianna, and Ava; 12 great-grandchildren; several nieces and
10 nephews; and her dear friend and caregiver, Paula Spurgeon;
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Irene M. Allen, and extend our sincere condolences to her
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Irene Allen as an expression of our
19 deepest sympathy.