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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 Mary Ruth Applegate of Downers Grove, who passed away on December 28, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, She was born in Decatur, the daughter of Arthur T. and Ethel Day; in 1948, she married George B. Applegate and moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where she lived for the next 40 years; and

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WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife and wonderful mother to her two children; as they grew older, she returned to work as a secretary for the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, and later attained the position of tax examiner; and

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WHEREAS, After the death of her husband and her retirement, she moved to Downers Grove, where she lived for the last 18 years; throughout her life, she had a love of books and learning; and

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WHEREAS, Unable to attend college as a young woman, as a retiree she attended classes at the College of DuPage, accumulating several years of college credit in English; she also served as an officer of the AARP and volunteered at Little Friends; she was an independent, progressive woman who cared

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1 about children and animals and believed in equality and justice
2 for all; and

3 WHEREAS, Mary Ruth Applegate is survived by her daughter,
4 Linda McGovern; her son, George T. Applegate; as well as her
5 sons-in-law, Terrance McGovern and Robert Bracken; therefore,
6 be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
9 her family and friends, the passing of Mary Ruth Applegate; and
10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Mary Ruth Applegate as a symbol of
13 our sincere sympathy.