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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 Nancy Corbett Dillon of River Forest, who passed away on November 19, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, She was born February 20, 1924, in Chicago, the second daughter of Helen Rodgers Corbett and John Roland Corbett; she attended St. Luke Elementary School and Trinity High School in River Forest; she attended Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, on a full scholarship for tennis; and

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WHEREAS, She was introduced to tennis, her lifelong passion, in the summer of 1938, at the River Forest Tennis Club; at Rollins College she had the privilege of playing with some of the most talented tennis players of the 1930s and 1940s, including Pauline Betz, Jack Kramer, Dodo Bundy, and Shirley Fry; she shared, with Fry, the National Clay Court Doubles Championship; she was ranked 17th in the nation at one point in her career, she was also Illinois State Champion and Midwestern Sectional Champion; she was named to the Rollins College Hall of Fame and was the recipient of the St. Luke's "Heart of the School" award; and

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WHEREAS, She married Robert "Lefty" Dillon, of River Forest, her high school sweetheart; she resided at 533 Forest

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1 Ave., in River Forest, named "Honorary Nancy Dillon Way" by the
2 village in 2011 for her years of service; she served as a River
3 Forest Village Trustee for more than 20 years, the longest term
4 in the history of the village, retiring in 2009; she also
5 taught social studies at Proviso East and West high schools and
6 taught tennis during the summer months at the River Forest Park
7 District (Keystone Park), the Oak Park Tennis Club, and the
8 River Forest Tennis Club; and

9 WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert;
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11 WHEREAS, Nancy Corbett Dillon is survived by her sons,
12 Robert F. Jr., David M., Stephen J. (Winnie), Daniel W. (Mary),
13 and Jack E. (Sandra); her 15 grandchildren; and her 7
14 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
17 her family and friends, the passing of Nancy Corbett Dillon;
18 and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Nancy Corbett Dillon as a symbol of
21 our sincere sympathy.