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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply 2 saddened to learn of the death of Helen Heier of Vernon Hills, 3 4 who passed away on November 26, 2012; and WHEREAS, Helen Heier was born in Kansas City on December 6, 5 6 1924, to Orpha Chrisman; she married James Heier; and 7 Helen Heier was active in the community, 8 organizing the Vernon Hills Fishing Derby for over 35 years; 9 the tournament was later named in her honor; she was known as 10 the "lunch lady" at Hawthorn Middle School, where she worked for 19 years; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Helen Heier honored this country's veterans and 13 firmly believed in treating them as the heroes that they are; 14 loved watching basketball she games and could hold conversations with the most devoted fans; she was a trivia 15 16 mastermind and could regularly outsmart the 17 champions; and 18 WHEREAS, Helen Heier was preceded in death by her mother,

Orpha Chrisman and her daughter, Darlene (the late Clair)

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- 1 WHEREAS, Helen Heier is survived by her husband of 67
- 2 years, James; her children, Steven (Barbara), Richard
- 3 (Patricia), and Diana; and her 16 grandchildren and 2
- 4 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Helen Heier, and we extend our sincere condolences to her
- 8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Helen Heier as expression of our
- 12 sincere condolences.