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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Virginia Anne "Ginger" Ross of East 4 Peoria, who passed away on May 24, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, Virginia Ross was born on May 29, 1942, in Pinson, 6 Tennessee, to Carmon "CB" and Martha Ludell Ross Holmes; she 7 graduated from Eureka College, where she was a member of Delta 8 Zeta Sorority and is a current member of their alumni 9 association; she married Gregory James Ross on February 21, 10 1970, in Peoria; and

11 WHEREAS, Virginia Ross worked as a service representative 12 for the Social Security Administration for nearly 30 years in 13 Peoria, Pekin, and Joliet, retiring in 2004; she also worked as 14 a grade school teacher at Roanoke-Benson Grade School and as an 15 activity therapist at Peoria State Hospital; and

16 WHEREAS, Virginia Ross was a University of Illinois 17 Extension Master Gardener, a member of the Tazwell County 18 Master Gardeners, and a member of the City of East Peoria 19 "Green Team"; she was an activist and always doing for others 20 and spending countless hours volunteering for various 21 organizations; and SR0354 -2- LRB098 12374 MST 46711 r WHEREAS, Virginia Ross was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Alford "Alfie" Holmes; her sister, Sandra L. Brooks; and her former husband and friend, Gregory; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Ross is survived by her daughters, Mariah (Ron) Schultz, Kristin (Eric) Lambert, and Andria (Scott) Ross Redpath; her grandchildren, Ethan Lambert and Catherine Redpath; her step-grandchildren, Matt and Lauren Schultz; her brothers, Ross (Jean) Holmes and Rayford Holmes; and several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 12 Virginia Ross, and extend our sincere condolences to her 13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it 14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 16 presented to the family of Virginia Ross as an expression of 17 our deepest sympathy.