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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 Virginia L. Secrest of Wood River, who passed away on August 20, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Secrest was born in Mitchell to Herbert J. and Vesta E. (Waggoner) Harshbarger on March 22, 1928; she married Albert Seymore in 1946, and he passed away in 1948; she married Alfred Nagel in 1953, and the marriage ended in 1970; she married Kenneth Secrest in 1976, and he passed away in 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Secrest worked as a clerk and typist for the Granite City Army Depot for 22 years; after retirement, she dedicated herself to honoring veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces; she led efforts to place flags on the graves of veterans in the Upper Alton Cemetery; the hallmarks of her work are the flagpole along Home Adams Parkway and the establishment of the Avenue of Flags flown every Memorial Day; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Secrest was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands; her daughter, Linda Seymore; her sons, Terry and Gary Nagel; her stepson, Wayne Allen Secrest; her stepdaughter, Janis Johnson; her three sisters; and her four brothers; and

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1 WHEREAS, Virginia Secrest is survived by her sons, Paul
2 (Mary) Nagel, David (Terrie) Nagel, and John (Kim Moore) Nagel;
3 her 13 grandchildren; her 16 great-grandchildren; and her
4 daughters-in-law, Rebecca Nagel and Renee Nagel; therefore, be
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6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Virginia L. Secrest and extend our sincere condolences to her
9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Virginia Secrest as an expression of
13 our deepest sympathy.