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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of Marie V. Nickels, who passed away 4 peacefully in her River Forest home surrounded by family, at 5 the age of 99; and 6 WHEREAS, Marie Nickels was born to Louis and Gertrude 7 Patke in Chicago on November 30, 1921; and 8 WHEREAS, Marie Nickels grew up on the North Side of 9 Chicago in the Albany Park neighborhood; she attended Our Lady of Mercy Grammar School and Immaculata High School; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Marie Nickels continued her education at Rosary 12 College, now Dominican University, and graduated with a degree 13 in Library Science; she became a librarian at Barat College; 14 and WHEREAS, Marie Nickels married her longtime neighborhood 15 16

sweetheart, William C. Nickels; she traveled the world with him; her four children, Bob, Pam, Mary, and Bill, were her pride and joy; she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Marie Nickels enjoyed cooking and was a "wiz" in

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- 1 the kitchen; she produced gourmet meals every night; she
- delighted in searching for the freshest fruits and vegetables
- 3 at her summer home in Montague, Michigan; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Marie Nickels was preceded in death by her first
- 5 husband, William C. Nickels; her grandchild, Billy Nickels;
- 6 and her brother, Don (Shirley) Patke; and
- WHEREAS, Marie Nickels is survived by Robert (Mary Kay),
- 8 Pamela (Edward) Dieschbourg, Mary (Daniel) Dillon, and William
- 9 (Paula) Nickels; her grandchildren, Katy (Richard) Sequeira,
- 10 Tom, Clare (Andy) Retrum, Julie (Jeff) Wojtowicz, Beth
- 11 (Conrad) Perez, Mary Pat (Mike) Kwit, Matt (Hannah) and Mike
- 12 (Gina) Nickels, Lisa Von Roenn, David, Ryan, and Nick
- 13 Dieschbourg, Emily (Mike) Gallagher, Lauren (Bill) Ellsworth,
- 14 Dan Dillon, and Maddie Nickels; and her 23
- 15 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 18 Marie V. Nickels, and extend our sincere condolences to her
- 19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 20 further
- 21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 22 presented to the family of Marie V. Nickels as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.