SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Helen M. Belt of Carlinville, who passed away on November 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Helen Belt was born in Newport, Arkansas to Charles C. and Esther Taylor White on January 27, 1934; she married Billy Belt; and

WHEREAS, Helen Belt was a homemaker; and

WHEREAS, Helen Belt enjoyed gardening, canning, sewing, cooking, reading, and horseback riding; and

WHEREAS, Helen Belt was preceded in death by her husband, Billy; her parents; her son, Paul Neely; and her grandchildren, Paul Neely III, Brandy Neely, and Billy Neely; and

WHEREAS, Helen Belt is survived by her sons, Merle (Vickie) Neely, David Neely, and Timothy (Andrea) Neely; her daughters, Linda (Dale) Reels, Lisa (John) Katava, and Billie Jo (Gregory) Centers; her grandchildren, Nikki, Melinda, Dawn, Dale, John, James "Butch", Billy, Erica, Greg, Breah, and Colton; 25 great-grandchildren; and her brother, Albert (Kathy) Allen; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Helen M. Belt, and extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Helen Belt as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

