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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 Linda Jo Thomson of Franklin Park, who passed away on July 30, 2017, at the age of 70; and

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WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was born to Patricia and Joseph McCandless on November 10, 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was a lifetime member of the Franklin Park American Legion organization, where she advocated for patriotism and honor, mentored youth, and hosted multiple community events; and

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WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson stood behind issues that were important to many veterans and worked side-by-side to bring awareness to the obstacles veterans face; and

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WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was a supporter of giving back to communities; she dedicated time to hosting events that would better her community, a commitment shared by her family, including her husband, Paul, who was a Franklin Park firefighter for 39 years, her son, Tommy, who is a firefighter and served as Village Clerk of Franklin Park from 2009 to 2017, and her nephew, Eddie, who also worked as a firefighter and later became a representative for the Associated Firefighters

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1 of Illinois; and

2 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was a member of the Loyal Order  
3 of Moose of Marinette, Wisconsin, where she provided a helping  
4 hand to those in need; and

5 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson expressed the importance of youth  
6 development by being an advocate for the operation of the  
7 Mooseheart Child City and School, a school designed for  
8 children in need; and

9 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was also an advocate for  
10 Moosehaven City of Contentment, an active retirement home for  
11 senior citizens in Orange Park, Florida; and

12 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson enjoyed playing Bingo and taking  
13 care of her loved ones; and

14 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson was preceded in death by her  
15 parents and her sisters, Kathy McCandless and Patricia Orner;  
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17 WHEREAS, Linda Jo Thomson is survived by her husband, Paul  
18 Thomson; her children, Thomas (Andrea), Michael, and Robert;  
19 her granddaughter, Monique Thomson; her sister, Nancy  
20 (Michael) Stevens; and her brother, Joseph McCandless;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
4 Linda Jo Thomson, and extend our sincere condolences to her  
5 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it  
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Linda Jo Thomson as an expression of  
9 our deepest sympathy.