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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 Helen Cornwell of Georgetown, who passed away on February 28, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Helen Cornwell was born in Catlin to Frank and Lucy (Chop) Kovack on September 18, 1924; she graduated from Georgetown High School; she married Homer "Junie" Cornwell in Georgetown on May 10, 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Helen Cornwell worked at the Vermilion County Courthouse in the Circuit Clerk's office and the County Clerk's office for over 20 years; she became Vermilion County Auditor in 1976 and served for 12 years; one of the highlights of her political career was attending the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia in 1988 as a representative of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Helen Cornwell was an active member of the community; she was a member of the Vermilion County Democrats and the Danville Business and Professional Women (BPW); she also served on the Georgetown Township Board and the Vermilion County Housing Board; she was a member of St. Isaac Jogues Church in Georgetown and the Altar & Rosary Society; and

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1 WHEREAS, Helen Cornwell was preceded in death by her
2 parents; her husband, Homer; and her brothers, Frank and Joseph
3 Kovack; and

4 WHEREAS, Helen Cornwell is survived by her daughter, Kathy
5 Galyen; her son, Gregory (Lynn) Cornwell; her brother, Robert
6 (Ruby Ann) Kovack; her grandchildren, Derek (JoAnne) Galyen,
7 Kurtis Galyen, Justin (April) Cornwell, Adam Cornwell, and
8 Aaron Cornwell; her great-grandchildren, Jasmine, Grayson,
9 Vivian, and Everett; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Helen Cornwell 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 Helen Cornwell as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.