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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 Isabelle Rose Martin, who passed away on May 26, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Isabelle Martin was born on September 2, 1920 in Kankakee; her parents were Edward and Victorine (nee Pommier) Francoeur; and

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WHEREAS, Isabelle married Francis Martin on Memorial Day in 1942, just before Francis was deployed to the Pacific front in World War II; upon his return, Isabelle and Francis started their family together, eventually moving out to the country and having 9 children; and

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WHEREAS, Isabelle Martin enjoyed dancing with her lifelong partner Francis, reading novels, shopping, and tending to her flower and vegetable gardens; she also was a devout member of the Catholic Church; and

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WHEREAS, Isabelle Martin spent her entire adult life caring for her family; she was always proud of their accomplishments and lives, and she treasured the time she spent visiting with them; and

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1 WHEREAS, Isabelle Martin was preceded in death by her
2 husband, Francis; her parents; a son, John Martin; and a
3 grandson, Nathan Barber; and

4 WHEREAS, Isabelle Martin is survived by 8 children, Mary
5 Martin, Terry (Ilga) Martin, Michael (Wendy) Martin, Patricia
6 Martin, Thomas (Sharon) Martin, Susan Simeur, Gloria (Robert)
7 Romero, and Willie Martin; a special niece, Kay (Ralph) Norton;
8 a sister, Blanche Sebastiani; a brother, Ivan Francoeur; 19
9 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Isabelle Rose Martin 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 Isabelle Martin as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.