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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 Elaine Sue Nell of McHenry, who passed away on May 14, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Elaine Nell was born in McHenry to Ambrose and Dorothy (Freund) Schaefer on October 6, 1927; she married her McHenry High School sweetheart, Henry F. Nell, at St. Mary Catholic Church in McHenry on February 7, 1948, with the groom's uncle, Father George Nell officiating; and

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WHEREAS, Elaine Nell had an active interest in history; she was a charter member of the McHenry County Historical Society, the Genealogical society, and a member of the American Legion and V.F.W of McHenry; she enjoyed painting, flower arranging, gardening, sewing, baking, and being creative; Sundays were always Bears football days, her favorite team; she started a Monthly Widows Club in which she and other widows would meet once a month at a local restaurant for lunch; and

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WHEREAS, Elaine Nell was an active member of the St. Mary Council of Catholic Women, where she enjoyed helping with the annual rummage sale for which she made all the signs for over 35 years; and

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1           WHEREAS, Elaine Nell was preceded in death by her parents;  
2 her husband, Hank Nell; her sister and brother-in law, Marilyn  
3 (Tom) Harrison; and her sister-in-law, Henrietta Nell; and

4           WHEREAS, Elaine Nell is survived by her daughters, Cindy  
5 Oeffling (Rick Sweeney), Jessie (Denny) Smith, and Beth Staley;  
6 her grandsons, Nick (Amy) Oeffling, Brad (April) Oeffling,  
7 Chris Smith, Dave Smith, and Matt Staley (Becky Bland); her  
8 great-grandchildren, Braylen, Brynlee, and Grant Oeffling; and  
9 her sister-in-law, Ethel Nell; therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
12 Elaine Sue Nell, 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 Elaine Nell as an expression of our  
17 deepest sympathy.