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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 Lois Marion Mathews of Wonder Lake, who passed away on December 4, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Lois Mathews was born in Chicago to George and Elise Hartmann on November 6, 1931; she attended Alvernia High School in Chicago and Alverno College in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; she married Thomas P. Mathews IV on February 2, 1952; and

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WHEREAS, Lois Mathews was her husband's partner in the insurance, land development, home building, real estate, and utilities businesses; and

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WHEREAS, Lois Mathews taught some of her grandchildren to play the piano; she also taught swimming; she created Fibromyalgia and Arthritis support groups and assisted in developing programs at Christ the King parish; and

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WHEREAS, Lois Mathews had a love for water and lived on the lake for most of her life; she enjoyed boating, sailing, and most of all, swimming; her favorite pastimes were playing the organ, reading, and journaling; she also had a passion for travel and took several cruises, including one that took her around the world in a little over three months; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lois Mathews was a loving and supportive wife, a
2 nurturing mother, a treasured grandmother, and a valued friend;
3 she appreciated life to the fullest and brought out the best in
4 others; and

5 WHEREAS, Lois Mathews was preceded in death by her parents;
6 her brother, James; and her sister-in-law, Jean Hartmann; and

7 WHEREAS, Lois Mathews is survived by her husband, Thomas;
8 her children, Mary, Ruth (Marilyn), Thomas V. (Jodi), Terrance
9 (Helene), Ann (Jeff), Stephen (Patricia) Norman (Kate), and
10 Beth Mathews; her grandchildren, Thomas VI (Kasey), Tony
11 (Ashley), Tyler (Suereea), Morgan (Mike), Justine, Kelly,
12 Jackie, Mercedes, Austin, and Mason Mathews, Katie (Byron)
13 Steine, and Kassy and Jessica Blaschak; her eight
14 great-grandchildren; her brothers, Thomas (Mary) and George
15 Hartmann; her sister-in-law, Pearl Mathews; and her many nieces
16 and nephews; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
19 Lois Marion Mathews and extend our sincere condolences to her
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
21 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Lois Mathews as an expression of our
3 deepest sympathy.