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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Elaine "Blondie" Kirk, who passed away
4 on April 17, 2023 at the age of 97; and

5 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk was the youngest of seven children,
6 born in Princeton on October 1, 1925; and

7 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk was raised on a farm during The Great
8 Depression, attending Knox College in Galesburg; and

9 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk met her future husband, Harold Kirk,
10 on a blind date after graduating; and

11 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk and Harold moved from Princeton to
12 River Forest after marrying; and

13 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk served on the Women's Auxiliary of
14 West Suburban Hospital and with the Infant Welfare Society of
15 Oak Park-River Forest; and

16 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk was involved with the First
17 Presbyterian Church of River Forest as an elder; and

18 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk also served on the Planning and

1 Development Board of River Forest for many years; and

2 WHEREAS, In honor of her service to the community, the 600
3 block of Keystone Avenue was dedicated to her as Elaine
4 "Blondie" Kirk Way; and

5 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk loved the outdoors and spent many
6 weeks during the year hunting in North Dakota and fishing in
7 Canada with her husband; and

8 WHEREAS, Elaine Kirk was preceded in death by her husband,
9 Harold; and

10 WHEREAS, Elaine is survived by her four children, Scott
11 (Jean), Todd (Jane), Kent (Denise), and Ann Williams (Doug),
12 and 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; therefore, be
13 it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 Elaine "Blondie" Kirk and extend our sincere condolences to
17 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Elaine Kirk as an expression of our

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1 deepest sympathy.