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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the passing of Kelly Nelson on March 11, 2004; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson is the fourth of eight children of John and Maribeth Nelson and was born on December 25, 1989 in Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson gave her life to the Lord at an early age and was an active member of St. Denis Catholic Church where she was a member of the children's choir; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson attended St. Denis School from pre-school to fourth grade and transferred to Owen Scholastic Academy in fifth grade; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson was actively involved in school activities including volleyball, softball, and basketball; as a member of the St. Denis basketball team, she won the Southwest Catholic Conference Championship; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson had a super personality and got along well with everyone; she had her own unique style and a very creative/active imagination, including her own made-up language; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson was an avid fan of the arts and was interested in all aspects of music; she loved cartoons as well, her favorite characters being Spongebob and Eeyore; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson was also an active member in Girl Scouts and still attended meetings with her mom; and

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WHEREAS, Kelly Nelson's passing will be deeply felt by many

1 especially her parents, John and Maribeth Nelson; her siblings,  
2 Andrew, Samantha, Christine, Melissa, Jennifer, Matthew, and  
3 Tommy; her grandparents, Willard and Margaret Nelson and  
4 Bernard and Janet Smith; her great-grandmothers, Josephine  
5 Wedster and Gwen Smith; and her many uncles, aunts, cousins,  
6 and friends; therefore be it

7       RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
8 OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of Kelly  
9 Nelson along with all who knew and loved her; and be it further

10       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Kelly Nelson as an expression of our  
12 sorrow for their loss.