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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 Maureen E. Chaney of Wilmington, who passed away on April 30, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen E. Chaney was born on July 2, 1936 in Peoria; she was a daughter of the late Maurice and Mary (Hollaway) Sharp; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen E. Chaney was employed in the purchasing department at Silver Cross Hospital for over 15 years; she held numerous other local jobs that she always performed at 100 percent; she once owned Maureen's Restaurant in Joliet and Chaney's Food Store (formerly Hooper's) in Wilmington; her greatest joy was sharing time with her family and co-workers; she was known as a fantastic cook and nurturer; she loved the Wilmington Wildcats, the Chicago Cubs, and the Chicago Bears; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen E. Chaney was a former member of the Wilmington School Board; she was very proud of being one of the original committee members to begin WILCO for local students; and

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WHEREAS, Maureen E. Chaney left her family the importance

1 of unconditional love, hard work, family loyalty, and the power
2 to overcome adversity; she was known for sharing her smile and
3 having a positive attitude with all who came into her presence;
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5 WHEREAS, Maureen E. Chaney is survived by her son, James
6 (Bev) Chaney; her daughters, Becky (Rick) Hansen, Pam (Mike)
7 VanDuyne, Michele (Andy) Rush, and Kathy (Steve) Horwath; her
8 grandchildren, Alicia, Curt, T.J., Nick, Michael, Katy,
9 Matthew, Christopher, Stephen, Mickey, Nicole, Bethani, Mark,
10 Corey, Kaylee, Timothy, Aleks, and Joey; her
11 great-grandchildren, Brock, Easton, Karlie, Markie, and
12 Olivia; she is also survived by her former husband, Ron Chaney;
13 and special friends, Nancy Nelson, Evelyn Spinozzi, Joe Holmes,
14 and Babe Proffit; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins,
15 and other friends; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
18 her family and friends, the passing of Maureen E. Chaney; and
19 be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Maureen E. Chaney as an expression
22 of our sympathy.