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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 Helen Francis Nerstrom of Zion, who passed away on March 11, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, She was born January 29, 1921 in North Chicago, and grew up and celebrated her life in North Chicago and Zion with her husband of 65 years, Stanley Nerstrom; she graduated with a teaching degree from Northern Illinois University and taught in the North Chicago School District until her retirement in 1983; and

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WHEREAS, She taught first grade and special needs reading at South, Forrestal, Yeager, and Greenbay Schools; she enjoyed arts and crafts, including painting, quilting, ceramics, and puzzles; and

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WHEREAS, She was preceded in passing by her parents, Helen and Anton Macek; her sister, Mary Harris; her brothers, Joseph and Edward Macek; and most recently by her husband, Stanley Nerstrom; and

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WHEREAS, Helen Nerstrom is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Robert Blackowicz; her son and daughter-in-law, James and Norma Nerstrom; her four

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1 grandchildren, Jayson (Barb) Blackowicz, Jeremy (Lisa)
2 Blackowicz, Brett (Rebecca) Nerstrom, and Jamie (Jacob)
3 Zipprich; and her five great-grandchildren, Ethan Blackowicz,
4 Ella Blackowicz, Andon Blackowicz, Alixandra Zipprich, and
5 Trevor Zipprich; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
8 her family and friends, the passing of Helen Nerstrom; and be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Helen Nerstrom as a symbol of our
12 sincere sympathy.