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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 Virginia R. Blomquist (nee Olson) of Waukegan, who passed away on December 8, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Blomquist was born on January 13, 1926, in Moline to Swan and Esther Olson; she graduated from Lutheran Hospital in Moline and served as a U.S. Army Cadet Nurse; she married Rev. Willard C. Blomquist on August 27, 1949, in Cambridge; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Blomquist worked at hospitals in Illinois, Minnesota, and Iowa, and served as a field representative for the American Cancer Society from 1976-91; she was a Chicago Cubs fan, volunteered at her church, and held positions such as children's choir director, president of the Greenwood School PTA, president of Church Women United, and president of Waukegan Woman's Club; she spent many years as a membership chairman of the Lake County Community Concerts Association; and

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WHEREAS, Virginia Blomquist was preceded in death by her parents, Swan and Esther Olson; her 5 brothers; her 5 sisters; and 3 infant children; and

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1 WHEREAS, Virginia Blomquist is survived by her husband of
2 63 years, Willard; her 2 daughters, Anne Malecki and Kathryn
3 (James) MacNeil; her grandchildren, Matthew (Julia)
4 Santullano, Sophie Malecki, and Eryn and John MacNeil; her
5 sister, Evelyn Swickard; her 3 great-grandchildren; and many
6 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 Virginia Blomquist, and we extend our sincere condolences to
10 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Virginia Blomquist as an expression
14 of our deepest sympathy.