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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 Joseph F. Girgis, who passed away on May 13, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Girgis was born in 1924, in Egypt; he moved to Chicago in 1968, and then moved to Oak Brook; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Girgis served as an engineering professor at DeVry University for 40 years; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Girgis was a devout Christian who was involved in planting churches in Egypt and in Chicago; he delivered a Christian Arabic radio broadcast in Chicago for many years; he was a committed family man who also mentored many individuals, started the Bible Club at DeVry, and was an avid promoter of Moody Radio Broadcast; he was a member at Lombard Gospel Chapel and was one of the founding members of the Chicago Arabic Church; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Girgis was preceded in death by his son, Peter; his siblings, Dr. Aziz (the late Hoda), Faiza (the late Dr. Hilal) El Massarany, Wafeya (the late Foad) Mishrikey, Anjel-Fahim, and Dr. Kamal; and his brother-in-law, Dr. Nagi Ghali; and

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1 WHEREAS, Joseph Girgis is survived by his wife of 62 years,
2 Grace; his children, Dr. Samuel (Rita), John (Rhonda), and Dr.
3 Phillip (Maggie); his siblings, Dr. Tawfik (Dorothy), Dr.
4 Farouk (Marge), Dr. Lily Ghali, Dr. Aida (Dr. Phillip), Dr.
5 Mary (Fadel) Hanna, and Suad (Dr. Emil) Anton; his 11
6 grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Dr. Mervet; and his many
7 nephews, nieces, and cousins; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
10 his family and friends, the passing of Joseph F. Girgis; and be
11 it further

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