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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 Vera Simon of Peoria, who passed away on August 25, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Vera Simon was born on September 4, 1918 in Toluca; her parents were Theodore and Antonia (Pisciatelli) Bartolomucci, which was shortened to Bartolo; she married her childhood friend, United States Navy Seaman 1st Class Earl T. Simon, on June 22, 1944; and

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WHEREAS, Vera Simon graduated from St. Bernard's Grade School in 1933; she was a devoted member of St. Bernard's Parish for more than 70 years; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from Peoria Central High School with a focus in business, Vera Simon worked for Kay Jewelers in Peoria; she later transferred to Kay Jewelers in Long Beach, California; after her husband completed his tour in the Navy, the couple moved back to Peoria to start their family; and

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WHEREAS, Vera Simon worked for Cohen Furniture Company for 28 years until her retirement; during her career, she won many top furniture and appliance sales awards; and

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1 WHEREAS, Vera Simon was preceded in death by her husband,
2 Earl Simon; her son, Arnie Simon; her brother, Vincent Bartolo;
3 her sister, Edna Fox; and her granddaughter, Keiya (Laurie
4 Winkler) Dancer; and

5 WHEREAS, Vera Simon is survived by her daughter, Jo Anne
6 Winkler; her son, Gary Simon; her grandchildren, Shelley, Tim,
7 and Lindsay Winkler, Kara Amador, Brock Simon, Tony Simon, and
8 Kellen Linderman; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
11 family and friends, mourn the passing of Vera Simon; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Vera Simon as an expression of our
15 sympathy.