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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 Bernice M. Bittner, who passed away on July 14, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner was born on May 9, 1923; her parents were Herman and Elizabeth (nee Finncutter) Kristan; she married Clarence "Pat" Bittner on January 8, 1944; and

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WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner attended Holy Family Grade School and Waukegan High School; and

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WHEREAS, In 1965, Bernice Bittner and her husband moved to the north side of Waukegan; they enjoyed square dancing and ballroom dancing at the Swedish Glee Club and would often practice their dance moves in the basement of their home on Walnut Street; they also liked traveling to visit their son Bob and his family to whatever location the Air Force had stationed him at the time; and

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WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner was a stay-at-home mom, but later worked in the Waukegan High School cafeteria; after the death of her husband in August of 1988, she became a volunteer at the former Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan; and

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1 WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner enjoyed sewing, crocheting,
2 playing pinochle with her friends, reading Danielle Steele
3 novels, and getting her hair done at the beauty shop; and

4 WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner was a member of St. Anastasia and
5 St. Dismas Churches; and

6 WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner was preceded in death by 3
7 siblings, Joseph Kristan, Anges Mahler, and Rita Madruh; and

8 WHEREAS, Bernice Bittner is survived by 2 children, Robert
9 "Bob" (Christine) Bittner and Joan Steffens; 4 grandchildren,
10 Robert "Rob" Bittner, Jennifer (Roger) Ham, Timothy "Tim"
11 (Heidi) Steffens, and Andrew "Andy" Steffens; and 5
12 great-grandchildren, Laney, Tallon, and Marley Ham and Kendall
13 and Chad Steffens; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
16 family and friends, mourn the passing of Bernice M. Bittner;
17 and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Bernice Bittner as an expression of
20 our sympathy.