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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Dorothy Mae Coulter of Morton, who passed away on March 15, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Coulter was born in Peoria on March 13, 1922 to Royal J. and Nellie Minnie (nee Sank) Zerwekh; she married C. Elmer Coulter in Peoria on October 8, 1944; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Coulter was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and devoted her life to volunteerism; she participated in the annual summer vacation Bible school events and enjoyed assembling Braille reading books; she co-founded the Educable Mentally Handicapped program at her church and was involved with the program for over 40 years; in 2002, she received the Follower of the Lamb award from Bethesda Lutheran Homes & Services, Inc. in recognition of her service to persons with developmental disabilities; she also was a regular volunteer at the Bel-Wood Nursing Home and received its Volunteer of the Year Award in 2002 in recognition for her 30 years of weekly service; she served as a weekly volunteer at Valeska Hinton primary school and was recognized for her service in 1998 with the Quiet Hero Award from Peoria Public Schools; and

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1           WHEREAS, Dorothy Coulter enjoyed card games and going out  
2 to dinner and taking summer vacations with her family; she was  
3 always pushing her children and grandchildren to acquire as  
4 much education as they could; and

5           WHEREAS, Dorothy Coulter was preceded in death by her  
6 husband, C. Elmer, and her grandson, Jeremy R. Coulter; and

7           WHEREAS, Dorothy Coulter is survived by her 3 sons, Royal  
8 J. (Kathy) Coulter, Gary D. (Dianne) Coulter, and Roger (Deb)  
9 Coulter; her 10 grandchildren, Chris (Melanie), Jeff  
10 (Allison), Matt (Kris), Tara (Ed), Melissa (Skyler), Meghan  
11 (Matt), Jaimee (Jeff), Joy (Erik), Jessica (Todd), and Jonah;  
12 her 18 great-grandchildren, Maria, Brian, Michael, Patrick,  
13 Ella, Claire, Jack, Bryn, Luke, Sam, Luca, Miles, August,  
14 Graham, Ivy, Gavin, Lila, and Sawyer; her sister, Mary Jane  
15 Russell; and several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
17 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
18 mourn the passing of Dorothy Mae Coulter, and extend our  
19 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew  
20 and loved her; and be it further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Dorothy Coulter as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.