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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 Margaret Dyson of Champaign, who passed away on August 19, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Margaret Dyson was born in 1918 in South Dakota; she was valedictorian of her Madison High School class and married John Dyson in 1941; she received her Ph.D. in Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1977; and

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WHEREAS, Margaret Dyson worked for the law firm of Martens and Goldsmith in Pierre, South Dakota and the South Dakota State Department of School and Public Lands; during World War II, while her husband was an officer in the Army, she worked for the Office of Price Administration in Washington, D.C. and the engineering firm of Pate and Hern in Detroit, Michigan; for 30 years, starting in 1964, she was employed as a learning disabilities teacher for the Champaign Community Unit 4 schools; she taught at Washington, South Side, Jefferson, and other Champaign schools; after retirement, she volunteered as a reading coach at Carrie Busey School; from 1975 to 1977, she served as the Director of a Title III and Title IV-C education project to teach reading by correspondence to elementary school children; she was the founder and co-director of "Teacher in a

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2 WHEREAS, Margaret Dyson was a member of Mortarboard, Phi  
3 Delta Kappa, and Kappa Delta Pi honorary fraternities; since  
4 1953, she and her husband were members of Wesley United  
5 Methodist Church of Champaign; they enjoyed spending Christmas  
6 with their family in Cedar Key and were frequently found  
7 dancing with their friends at the University Club, the Elks,  
8 the American Legion, and the Regency Ballroom; and

9 WHEREAS, Margaret Dyson was preceded in death by her  
10 husband, John; her parents; and her sister, Sallie McMillan;  
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12 WHEREAS, Margaret Dyson is survived by her 2 sons, John  
13 Patrick Dyson and Stephen Dyson (Teresa); her daughter, Carol  
14 Dyson (Andrew Asher); her stepson, Robert Dyson (Beth); her 2  
15 grandchildren, John Asher and William Asher; her 3  
16 step-granddaughters, Jodi Hoffman, Lisa Meighan, and Leanna  
17 Hess; and her step-grandson, Ryan Dyson; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
20 Margaret Dyson, and extend our sincere condolences to her  
21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it  
22 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Margaret Dyson as an expression of  
3 our deepest sympathy.