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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Anastasia
4 "Sheila" Murphy Cassidy, who passed away on November 17, 2013;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Anastasia Cassidy was born in 1923; she was one of
7 the first women to serve in the United States Coast Guard
8 during World War II; and

9 WHEREAS, Anastasia Cassidy was a member of Our Lady Queen
10 of Martyrs Catholic Church; she was also a member of the
11 Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #10141 and the American Legion
12 Post #24 and spent several years as part of the Honor Guard,
13 serving at military funerals; and

14 WHEREAS, Anastasia Cassidy enjoyed reading and was a
15 talented needle worker and seamstress, winning a blue ribbon at
16 the Manatee County Fair in Florida for a cross-stich design
17 created for her eldest grandson; she loved dancing and would
18 never pass up an opportunity to do so; and

19 WHEREAS, Anastasia Cassidy was preceded in death by her
20 brother, Robert Murphy; and

1 WHEREAS, Anastasia Cassidy is survived by her children,
2 Vince (Bernadette), Maureen, Robyn (Michael) Dowd, Theresa
3 (Pat) Collins, Kevin (Jenny), Nora (Mike) Davis, and Illinois
4 State Representative Kelly (Kelley Quinn) Cassidy; her 12
5 grandchildren; Betty Martini, the last surviving member of her
6 Coast Guard friends; and a circle of friends from VFW Post
7 #10141; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we mourn the passing of Anastasia "Sheila" Murphy Cassidy, and
11 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
12 who knew and loved her; and be it further

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