SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Lilas Jean Beebe of Rockford, who passed away on August 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Lilas Beebe was born on November 19, 1932, in Belvidere to Vernon and Marie (Druck) Lowe; she graduated from Marengo High School in 1950; she married Harold Beebe on August 16, 1953; and

WHEREAS, Lilas Beebe worked at Marengo High School and later as a bank teller at Marengo State Bank (now BMO Harris Bank); and

WHEREAS, Lilas Beebe was active at the First Baptist Church in Marengo, where she sung in the church choir; she enjoyed spending winters in The Villages retirement community in Florida, traveling with her husband to the Holy Land, doing crossword puzzles, and watching her favorite TV shows; and

WHEREAS, Lilas Beebe was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; her parents; her in-laws, Harry and Oleda Beebe; her sister, Marialyce Winkelman; her brother, Vernon Lowe, Jr.; and her nephew, John Winkelman; and

WHEREAS, Lilas Beebe is survived by her children, Jan (Richard) Whitsitt, Jo Ellen Martinson, and Jack (Susan Mayer) Beebe; her grandchildren, Jackie (Jason) Dover, Kimberly (fiance Clint Burkhart) Whitsitt, Robin (Matt) Fairbanks, and Sam Beebe; her great-grandchildren, Jillian, Jessica, and Joseph Dover; her nephew, Joe Winkelman, Sr.; her many brothers and sisters-in-law; and her nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Lilas Jean Beebe, and extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Lilas Beebe as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

