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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 Mildred E. "Millie" Pryor of Rockford, who passed away on January 2, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Millie Pryor, the daughter of George and Vennie (Tarpley) Barkley, was born in Peach Orchard, Arkansas on June 17, 1927; she married Oliver H. Pryor in Loves Park, Illinois on June 17, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, Millie Pryor worked at J.I. Case and Woolworth's in Loves Park before retiring from the credit department of Sears Roebuck & Co. in 1982; and

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WHEREAS, Millie Pryor, along with her husband, were founders and former members of Windsor Baptist Church; and

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WHEREAS, Millie Pryor loved baking for others, including making special character birthday cakes for her grandchildren, wedding cakes for many young women at her church, and trays of cookies for friends; she also enjoyed sewing, quilting, and reading; and

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WHEREAS, Millie Pryor was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her great-grandson, Noah Schimmel; her

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1 brother, Clint Barkley; and her sisters, Mary Barkley, Thelma
2 Smith, Helen Herd, and Ellen Reid; and

3 WHEREAS, Millie Pryor is survived by her son, Ronald
4 (Becky) Pryor; her daughter, Karen (Bill) Durtschi; five
5 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; her special family
6 member, Debra Bokath; her sister, Kathy (Henry) Greene; and
7 many cousins, nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
10 Mildred E. "Millie" Pryor and extend our sincere condolences
11 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
12 it further

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