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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 Palmalea
4 Rennie "Pam" Taylor, who passed away on March 13, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor was born in Canton to Roy and
6 Mildred Rennie in January of 1927; she graduated from Peoria
7 Central High School and Northwestern University; she received
8 her degree in nursing from Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's School
9 of Nursing in Chicago; she married Alan M. Taylor M.D. on
10 December 24, 1951; and

11 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor was an operating room head nurse
12 and supervisor at St. Luke's from 1948 to 1953; she worked for
13 many years in the field of medicine, first as a nurse, then
14 helping in her husband's practice; she became the Executive
15 Director of the Lake View Memorial Hospital Foundation in 1978
16 and served until 1990; she was appointed chairman of the
17 Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board in 1979 and worked on
18 the board until 2002; one of her proudest accomplishments was
19 working with the Lakeview College of Nursing and founding the
20 Lakeview College of Nursing President's Council; she received
21 an honorary nursing degree from the Lakeview College of Nursing
22 in 1992; and

1 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor was a member of the Lt. Governor's
2 Council on Rural Health Care from 1988 to 2002, the Vermilion
3 County Public Health Department Board from 1980 to 2001, the
4 Vermilion Area Community Health Clinic Free Clinic, the
5 Illinois State Medical Society, and the Vermilion County
6 Medical Society Auxiliary; she was instrumental in bringing
7 Aunt Martha's Healthcare Clinic to Danville and served on their
8 board of directors for many years; she was active with St.
9 Elizabeth Hospital, the Lakeview Medical Center, and the
10 Vermilion County Nursing Home; and

11 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor donated her time to the YWCA and
12 the Girl Scouts; she served as a 4-H Leader and a Red Cross
13 instructor and volunteer; she was on the Salvation Army Board
14 of Directors and served as United Fund Area chairman; she also
15 served on the Danville Library Foundation; and

16 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor received many awards for her work,
17 including the Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in
18 Governmental Affairs and Legislation 1960-2007 from the
19 Illinois State Medical Society; she was nominated for the 1999
20 Belle Chenault Award for Political Participation; she was
21 recognized as a charter member of the Danville Symphony Guild;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor also volunteered at Kennekuk

1 Cove, the Arts in the Park, the Palmer Center, the Balloon
2 Festival, and at her church, Frist Presbyterian Church of
3 Danville; she was a member of Chapter KE PEO, the Clover Club,
4 and the Danville Country Club; and

5 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor enjoyed swimming, driving, golf,
6 stitchery, and reading; and

7 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor was preceded in death by her
8 parents and her husband, Alan; and

9 WHEREAS, Palmalea Taylor is survived by her children,
10 Elizabeth Taylor, Leslie Phillips, Sarah (Paul) Knobloch, and
11 Alan (Marijane) Taylor II M.D.; her grandchildren, Alan
12 (Brenna) Knobloch, Alex Knobloch, Trysten (Ryan) Jones, and
13 Alan Taylor III; and her great-grandchildren, Caiden, Callen,
14 and Charlotte Knobloch; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
16 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 mourn the passing of Palmalea Rennie "Pam" Taylor, and extend
18 our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who
19 knew and loved her; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Palmalea Taylor as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.