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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 Thelma Randolph Lewis of West Frankfort, who passed away on June 3, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Thelma Randolph Lewis was born June 10, 1907, in Marion, the daughter of the late George W. Randolph and Mattie (Bivins) Randolph; she married R.V. Lewis in May 1928; and

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WHEREAS, After living in East St. Louis, Evansville, Indiana, and Orange County, California, Thelma and her husband settled in West Frankfort in 1942, and together they founded Southern Illinois Surgical Appliance Company; in 1950 they acquired the Beltone Hearing Aid Franchise and worked together until her husband passed away in 1987; and

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WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother; and she was a member of First Christian Church in West Frankfort; and

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WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Randolph V. Lewis; and her siblings, Lenora Randolph, Betty Gorgan, Henry Randolph and Freeda Fowler; and

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WHEREAS, Thelma Randolph Lewis is survived by her

1 daughters, Barbara Arensberg and husband, Walter, Beverly
2 Needham, Ruth Hudson and husband, Larson, and Marilyn Simpson
3 and husband, Mike; her son, Randy Lewis; her 21 grandchildren;
4 her 37 great-grandchildren; and her great-great-grandchild;
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
8 her family and friends, the passing of Thelma Randolph Lewis;
9 and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Thelma Randolph Lewis as a symbol of
12 our sympathy.