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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Catherine Adrienne Neal of Chicago,  
4 who passed away July 2, 2002; and

5           WHEREAS, Ms. Neal was born March 22, 1917, in North  
6 Chicago, the daughter of Martin and Elizabeth Neal; she  
7 graduated from Holy Child High School in 1935, earned a  
8 Registered Nursing degree from St. Therese Hospital in  
9 Waukegan in 1940, and in 1942, she received a Bachelor's  
10 degree in chemistry from Barat College in Lake Forest; in  
11 1975, she earned a Master's degree in hospital administration  
12 from the University of Southern California; and

13           WHEREAS, Ms. Neal was a First Lieutenant in the 166th  
14 Division of the Army Nurse Corp and served in a field  
15 hospital in France during World War II; after the war she  
16 came back to Lake County and operated the Neal Mink Ranch in  
17 Gurnee from 1946 through 1967; she served as president of the  
18 Illinois Fur Breeders Association in the early 1960s, the  
19 first woman to ever hold the office; Ms. Neal then lived in  
20 Orange County, California, for eighteen years before  
21 returning to Gurnee in 1987; and

22           WHEREAS, Ms. Neal was a member of St. Patrick's Church in  
23 Wadsworth and a member of the Women's Golf League at Bonnie  
24 Brook Golf Course in Waukegan; she was the Lake County  
25 Women's Amateur Golf Champion in 1942 for low gross, and in  
26 1992, she won the title again for low net; and

27           WHEREAS, Catherine Adrienne Neal will be deeply missed by  
28 all those who knew her and loved her, especially her sister,  
29 Patricia (Mark) Balms; her sisters-in-law, Julia (John) Neal  
30 and Mary (Paul) Neal; her life-long friends, Helen Hayner,  
31 Jim Hayner, and his family, Nancy, Katey, and Danny, whom she  
32 considered her own; her many loving nieces, nephews,

1 great-nieces, and great-nephews; and her special friend since  
2 early childhood, Earl Atkinson; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL  
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
5 her family and friends, the passing of Catherine Adrienne  
6 Neal; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Catherine Adrienne Neal with our  
9 sincere condolences.