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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 Donald J. Newberg of Bloomington, who passed away on February 7, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Newberg was born in Galesburg to Ralph H. and Relda B. Newberg on June 19, 1932; he married Carolyn J. Wooldridge in 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Newberg began his broadcasting career at age 21 in Macomb; in 1957, he moved to Bloomington Broadcasting; while at WJBC, he was an on-air personality, concentrating on news and sports and for many years, hosting a program called, "Problems and Solutions"; in 1974, he moved to Evansville, Indiana to manage the first of what became many radio station acquisitions outside Bloomington; in 1978, he moved to Chattanooga, Tennessee to manage another acquisition; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Newberg was very active in every community in which he lived; he was elected a member of the District 87 Board of Education; he served on the board of the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation, and with the Rotary Club, Illinois Wesleyan University Associates, and many other causes and organizations; he was President of the Illinois News

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1 Broadcasters Association, served on the board of the National
2 Association of Broadcasters, and was President of the Tennessee
3 Association of Broadcasters; and

4 WHEREAS, Donald Newberg inherited a lifelong love of golf
5 from his mother; he was the media Chairman of the PGA Provident
6 Classic in Chattanooga for many years and had three
7 holes-in-one; and

8 WHEREAS, 49 years ago, Donald Newberg took his then-young
9 family for the first time to the white sand beaches of the Gulf
10 of Mexico near Pensacola, Florida; this trip became a yearly
11 family vacation; and

12 WHEREAS, Donald Newberg is survived by his wife, Carolyn;
13 his children, Deb (Steve) Wannemacher, David (Joni) Newberg,
14 and Mary Jo (Bruce) Campbell; his grandchildren, Suzy (Chris)
15 Brown, Andrew (Jill) Newberg, Allison (Matt) Hannam, Sarah
16 Wannemacher, and Alexa Campbell; and his great-grandchildren,
17 Joe Amiano, Jack Amiano, Morgan Brown, Luke Brown, Brady Brown,
18 Kate Hannam, Lauren Hannam, Logan Newberg, Evan Newberg, and
19 Hunter Steele-Wannemacher; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
22 Donald J. Newberg, and extend our sincere condolences to his

1 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
2 further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Donald Newberg as an expression of
5 our deepest sympathy.