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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 Thomas Ellsworth Wood of Lake Forest, formerly of Bannockburn, who passed away on February 10, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Wood was born in Springfield, Ohio to the Reverend Walter Scott Wood and Faith Rosensteel Wood on August 28, 1926; the family moved to Oak Park, and later to Chicago; he enlisted in the United States Navy when he was 18 years old and served on a minesweeper in the Pacific theatre; he attended Denison University, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts and was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity; in 1952, he met Patricia Carter, to whom he proposed on their third date; they were married in 1953; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Wood joined Hewitt Associates (now AON) after a brief stint at Hotpoint Co.; he spent the next 30 years at Hewitt, and eventually became a partner and served on the Executive Committee for 16 years, opening U.S. and International offices; he is recognized as a pioneer in the creation of flexible compensation; after a distinguished career at Hewitt Associates, he went on to sit on numerous boards, as well as to teach at the Kellogg School of Management; and

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1           WHEREAS, Thomas Wood was a member of the board of Highland  
2 Park Hospital for 14 years, a Vestryman at St. Gregory's  
3 Episcopal Church in Deerfield, and Chairman of the Planning  
4 Commission in Bannockburn; he enjoyed the family cabin in the  
5 Northwoods of Wisconsin, wintering in La Quinta, California,  
6 and antique cars; his true passion was sailing on Lake  
7 Michigan; he was a member of Exmoor Country Club for 53 years;  
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9           WHEREAS, Thomas Wood was preceded in death by his sister,  
10 Constance Jane Tipps; and

11           WHEREAS, Thomas Wood is survived by his wife, Patricia  
12 Carter Wood; his son, Thomas Scott Wood (Maria); his daughter,  
13 Leslie Anne Bragg (Barry); and his grandchildren, Meredith and  
14 Stephanie Bragg, and Thomas, Amanda, Tyler, and Travis Wood;  
15 his brother-in-law, C. Leslie Carter; and many nieces and  
16 nephews; therefore, be it

17           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
19 Thomas Ellsworth Wood, and extend our sincere condolences to  
20 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
21 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Thomas Wood as an expression of our  
3 deepest sympathy.