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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of George Randall Houska of Bloomington, who 4 passed away on December 5, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, George Houska was born in Elgin to Frank and Helen 6 J. Marcks Houska on November 7, 1931; he married Mary LaRue 7 Weihmeir in Hopedale on September 10, 1955; and

8 WHEREAS, George Houska proudly served his country in the 9 United States Air Force, where he was a pilot and reached the 10 rank of lieutenant; he was an ROTC graduate of Bradley 11 University; he worked as the director of insurance at Illinois 12 State University, as a salesman at Barker Motors, and in the 13 personnel department at GTE; he retired in 1996; and

14 WHEREAS, George Houska was a 60-year member of Wesley 15 United Methodist Church; as an active member, he served as an 16 usher, as the chairperson of education, as a Sunday school 17 teacher, on the pastor parish committee, and as a Stephen 18 minister; he also served his community as the Normal Township 19 Clerk for 35 years; he was a past president of the Normal 20 Rotary Club; and

21 WHEREAS, George Houska was preceded in death by his

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2 WHEREAS, George Houska is survived by his wife, Mary; his 3 sons, Dr. Mark (Dr. Holly) Houska and Paul (Mimi) Houska; and 4 his grandsons, Nicholas, Mitch, Lucas, Kevin, and Eric; 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 8 George Randall Houska and extend our sincere condolences to his 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 12 presented to the family of George Houska as an expression of 13 our deepest sympathy.