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SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Thomas D. "Tom" Cooney of Woodstock, who 4 passed away on February 10, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, Tom Cooney was born in Woodstock to Herbert T. and 6 Mary E. (Hurley) Cooney on July 6, 1923; he served in the U.S. 7 Army Air Corp during World War II and married Irene S. Shereda 8 in Woodstock on May 26, 1951; he married Jane Conerty on 9 February 6, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Tom Cooney returned to Woodstock where he worked in finance for several organizations; he joined McHenry County Title Company/Chicago Title in 1959, where he worked in several capacities until being elected president in 1979; he retired in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Tom Cooney volunteered with many organizations; he was a past president of the Easter Seal Society of McHenry County; he served on the St. Mary School Board and coached basketball for St. Mary School for 10 years; he donated his time to the Woodstock Food Pantry, Food For The Poor, PADS, and was a strong advocate for the Right To Life; he was a life member of St. Mary Catholic Church and was a member and past Grand Knight of the Woodstock Knights of Columbus; he was an

- 1 avid golfer and enjoyed spending the winter months in Green
- 2 Valley, Arizona; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Tom Cooney was preceded in death by his parents;
- 4 his first wife, Irene Cooney; his brothers, Judge James H.
- 5 (Karlen) Cooney, Leo F. (Jean) Cooney, and Donald J. (Beatrice)
- 6 Cooney; his grandson, Timmy Nelson; and Clare Conerty and Mark
- 7 Conerty; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Tom Cooney is survived by his wife, Jane Cooney;
- 9 his children, Megan (Robert) Nelson and David Cooney; his
- 10 grandchildren, Tommy (Kayln) and Christina (Fanio) Nelson; his
- 11 great-grandchildren, Isaiah, Andrew, Elizabeth, Noah, and Nya;
- 12 his Conerty family, Mary (Al) Stilling, Patricia (Terry)
- 13 Clarke, John (Kate) Conerty, Marty Conerty, and their children
- 14 and grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Mary Shereda; and
- 15 numerous nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews;
- 16 therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 19 Thomas D. "Tom" Cooney, and extend our sincere condolences to
- 20 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 21 further
- 22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Tom Cooney as an expression of our

2 deepest sympathy.