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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of James Franklin Duke Sr. of East Moline, 4 who passed away on November 4, 2018; and
- 5 WHEREAS, James Duke Sr. was born in Moline to Alvin Duke 6 and Vivian LaVerne on July 2, 1926; he was a veteran of the 7 United States Navy; he married Edna Pore at The New Hope 8 Baptist Church in Moline in 1990; and
- 9 WHEREAS, James Duke Sr. worked as a Keyway Supervisor at 10 John Deere, Co. and retired after 32 years of service; and
- 11 WHEREAS, James Duke Sr. enjoyed going to the fitness center 12 three times a week and cutting the grass at the church; above 13 all, he enjoyed spending time with his family; and
- 14 WHEREAS, James Duke Sr. was preceded in death by his 15 parents; his brother, Alvin; and his sister, Ruth; and
- 16 WHEREAS, James Duke Sr. is survived by his wife, Edna; his
 17 sons, James F. Duke Jr. and Darin (Danielle) Duke; his
 18 daughter, Deborah (Morris) Palmer; his stepsons, Edgar Brown
 19 and Vincent (Rachel) Brown; his stepdaughters, Celnea (Arturo)
 20 and Cassandra Brown; and his brothers, Austin Duke and Truman

- 1 Duke; therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 4 James Franklin Duke Sr. and extend our sincere condolences to
- 5 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 6 further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the family of James Duke Sr. as an expression of
- 9 our deepest sympathy.