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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 Richard Thomas Dunn of Carmel, California, who passed away on April 24, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Dunn was born in Normal to Richard Francis Dunn and Clara Phoebe Huxtable on August 21, 1918; he attended high school in Normal and earned his bachelor of arts degree at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in 1940; he served for over 30 years as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army, which included over five years of extended active duty during World War II, another two years during the Korean War, and a short inspection tour in Vietnam in 1969; after World War II, he returned to the College of Law at the University of Illinois and earned a Juris Doctor; he was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Illinois on January 20, 1947; he was subsequently admitted to practice before the United States District, Circuit, and Supreme courts; and

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WHEREAS, In 1963, Richard Dunn was appointed as a brigadier general of the line in the Illinois Army National Guard and as a brigadier general in the U.S. Army; he served in that position until his retirement in 1970; his last duty assignment was as commanding general, Emergency Operation Headquarters, Illinois Army National Guard, from March 1968 until July 4,

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1 1970, during which time he commanded all troops during six
2 civil disturbances, which included the riots in Chicago that
3 followed Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination, the
4 demonstrations and rioting during the Democratic National
5 Convention of 1968, and a disturbance at the Urbana-Champaign
6 campus of the University of Illinois in March of 1970; and

7 WHEREAS, Following adoption of the Illinois Constitution
8 of 1970, Richard Dunn was one of three lawyers appointed to
9 serve on the newly created Judicial Inquiry Board; he was
10 elected by the nine board members as the first permanent
11 chairman of the board; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1982, Richard Dunn was appointed by the
13 Illinois Supreme Court as a member of its Committee on
14 Professional Responsibility; in 1985, he was appointed by the
15 court as chairman of the committee; he continued to serve on
16 the committee until December 31, 1996; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1998, the McLean County Bar Association awarded
18 Richard Dunn the Lincoln Award of Excellence in recognition of
19 dedicated service for the public good and the highest standards
20 of legal professionalism; earlier in his career, he served as
21 legal counsel of the Board of Governors of State Colleges and
22 Universities; he closed his practice in December 2000; and

1 WHEREAS, Richard Dunn was active in community, civic, and
2 church activities; he served as president of the Bloomington
3 Association of Commerce and as a director and regional vice
4 president of the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce; he
5 participated in parish and diocesan lay activities, which
6 included a parish program that raised over \$1,100,000 for
7 construction of three Catholic grade schools in
8 Bloomington-Normal; he was named by the bishop of the Roman
9 Catholic Diocese of Peoria as the first president of a newly
10 established Diocesan Council of Catholic Men; and

11 WHEREAS, Richard Dunn was preceded in death by his wife of
12 over 45 years, Julienne Biasi Dunn; his sister, Emily Dunn Scot
13 Dale; and his brother, Robert Dunn; and

14 WHEREAS, Richard Dunn is survived by his wife of over 33
15 years, Virginia B. Dunn; his son, Richard (Kathleen) Dunn; his
16 daughter, Patricia (Laurence) Hundman; his son, Mark (Martha)
17 Dunn; his son, David (Lisa) Dunn; his stepson, Peter B.
18 (Stacey) Evans; 20 grandchildren; and 40 great-grandchildren;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
22 Richard Thomas Dunn and extend our sincere condolences to his
23 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it

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2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of Richard Dunn as an expression of our
4 deepest sympathy.