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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 Swaim of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, who passed away on August 31, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Swaim was born on September 27, 1918, in Memphis, Tennessee; he was the son of George H. and Anne Dickson Swaim; he married Mildred Smith on April 6, 1941; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Swaim attended high school in Kansas City, Missouri and graduated from Central Methodist University in 1937; he entered the banking profession in Kansas City at Columbia National Bank, where he held several positions until he joined the FDIC as a bank examiner in 1942; he went on to serve in the United States Army from 1943 to 1946 and served 26 months overseas in the finance department; upon his return, he served as vice president and cashier of the Bank of Independence from 1947 until 1958, when he was employed by the First National Bank of Cape Girardeau as its executive vice president; he was elected president of the First National Bank of Cape Girardeau in 1961, where he remained until his retirement in 1983; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Swaim was the recipient of the distinguished service award for the state of Missouri by the

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1 Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1953; and

2 WHEREAS, Richard Swaim was associated with many
3 professional organizations; he was president of the Missouri
4 Bankers Association in 1968; he was a member of the Appellate
5 Judicial Commission for six years; he was a member of Cape
6 Downtown Rotary and the Tower Club; he presided over a Thursday
7 men's lunch group at the Cape Girardeau Country Club for many
8 years; and he is a past board member of the Missouri State
9 Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Cape Girardeau Development
10 Corporation, the Saint Francis Medical Center, and the Board of
11 Governors of the Cape Girardeau Country Club; and

12 WHEREAS, Richard Swaim was preceded in death by his
13 parents; his brother; and his sister; and

14 WHEREAS, Richard Swaim is survived by his wife, Mildred;
15 his son, Robert; his daughter, Kathy Swaim Boldrey; his
16 grandsons, Dr. Andrew Boldrey and Aaron Boldrey; his
17 granddaughter, Jenny Keppler; his great-grandson, Brady
18 Keppler; and his sister, Anne Fritts; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
21 his friends and family, the passing of Richard Swaim; and be it
22 further

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