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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 Clyde H. Wiseman, Jr. of Godfrey, who passed away on September 9, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born July 6, 1923, in Clarksburg, West Virginia and spent most of his life in and around Alton; he attended public schools and Shurtleff College in Alton and graduated from Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville; and

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WHEREAS, In 1948, he became a member of the original announcing staff at Radio Station, WOKZ Alton, where he worked 17 years, best known as the station's news director; in a 1959 citywide election, he won a seat on Alton's City Council and 6 years later was elected Mayor; after leaving the mayor's office he was selected to represent the Illinois Department of Business and Economic Development in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area; and

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WHEREAS, In 1974, he assumed leadership of the Wood River Township Chamber of Commerce and was chairman of the Transportation Task Force of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council in St. Louis; in 1976, he was named Director of Urban Affairs at the St. Louis Regional Commerce

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1 and Growth Association, where he retired in 1988; and

2 WHEREAS, Clyde and Edith Delphene Wilson were married in  
3 1948 and she preceded him in death; he later married Jacqueline  
4 Hirlinger; and

5 WHEREAS, He was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church  
6 USA and a coordinator in the Lay Witness Movement of the United  
7 Methodist Church; he organized the Alton Area Presbyterian Men  
8 and established the Christian Men's Council; he was a member of  
9 the Masonic Fraternity, Scottish Rite Bodies, and Shrine; he  
10 was recipient of the Chevalier and Legion of Honor Degrees from  
11 the International Order of De Molay; and

12 WHEREAS, Clyde Wiseman, Jr. is survived by his daughter,  
13 Susan J. Turley; his son, Clyde; his wife, Jacqueline D.  
14 Hirlinger; his stepchildren, Kenneth and Christopher Hirlinger  
15 and Susan Elliott; his grandchildren; his great-grandchildren;  
16 and his step-grandchildren; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
19 his family and friends, the passing of Clyde H. Wiseman, Jr.;  
20 and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Clyde H. Wiseman, Jr. as a symbol of  
2 our sincere sympathy.