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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 Valentine G. Lazzaretto of Lake Forest, who passed away on October 21, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto was born on August 4, 1924, in Centerville, Iowa; his parents were George and Marghreta (Cora) Lazzaretto; and

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WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto began working in the Iowa coalmines at the age of 16; he subsequently enlisted in the United States Army; and

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WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto was a decorated World War II veteran; he fought in the battles of Leyte Gulf and Okinawa and received 3 Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star with clusters; and

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WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto served as the President and Business Manager of Laborers Local #152 in Highland Park; he also served as Vice-President of the Lake County Building Trades, Trustee of the Laborers Pension Fund, Executive Board Member of the Laborers District Council, and Trustee of the Chicagoland Laborers Training Fund; and

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WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto was a member of Highland Park

1 Moose Lodge, where he founded the Highland Park Moose Men's
2 Hunting Club; he was also a member of the National Rifle
3 Association, the Highwood Bocce Ball Club, the Highwood VFW and
4 American Legion, the Lake Forest chapter of the Knights of
5 Columbus, and the Church of Saint Mary in Lake Forest; and

6 WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto enjoyed traveling and
7 watching the Chicago Bears and Chicago Cubs; and

8 WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto is preceded in death by his
9 wife of 50 years, Mary; his sisters, Mary (Albino) Dal Ponte
10 and Rose (Martin) Tagliapietra; and his brother, Joe (Roseanne)
11 Lazzaretto; and

12 WHEREAS, Valentine Lazzaretto is survived by his son,
13 Vallie G. (Susan) Lazzaretto; his daughter, Dora Lazzaretto;
14 his brother, John (Angie) Lazzaretto; his sister, Jennie (the
15 late Angelo) Maddalon; and his many nieces and nephews;
16 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 Valentine G. Lazzaretto;
20 and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Valentine Lazzaretto as an
2 expression of our sympathy.