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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 Dr. Carl Planinc of Carterville, who passed away on March 7, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc was born on October 29, 1919 in Johnston City to John and Barbara (nee Golightly) Planinc; he graduated from Johnston City High School in 1937 and joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, helping build Grant City State Park; he married Virginia May Cooksey on April 26, 1941 and served in the United States Army during World War II as a tank driver; after the war, he earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from Southern Illinois University (SIU) in 1950 and 1951 respectively; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc was a longtime educator and administrator in Southern Illinois; he taught 7th grade English for 3 years in Cobden and then served as teacher, principal, and superintendent at Johnston City High School over the next several years; he then took the position of Education Television Coordinator at SIU and was instrumental in developing SIU-TV Channel 8; after taking some time to complete his Doctorate at Indiana University, he returned to SIU to teach education graduate courses; after 13 years back at SIU, he left to become the Associate Dean of Continuing Education at

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1 John A. Logan College for 8 years before retiring; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc volunteered extensively in his
3 community; he served as Chairman of the Big Muddy Community
4 Action Agency, as Chairman of the March of Dimes, as President
5 of the Johnston City Rotary Club, as Carterville Precinct
6 Committeeman, as a Southern at 150 Committeeman, and as Senior
7 Vice-Commander of the local Chapter for Disabled American
8 Veterans; in 2009, he was selected as a Leader Among Us by The
9 Southern Illinoisian; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc had a love of aviation and
11 contributed to the field by serving as a board member for the
12 Williamson County Airport Authority for 40 years, serving time
13 as both Chairman and Vice-Chairman; he was elected to the
14 Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame in 2012; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc was preceded in death by his
16 parents; his daughter, Carolyn Sue Blewett; his brothers,
17 Johnny, Billy, and Frank "Runt" Planinc; and his sisters,
18 Esther Coulson and Mary Rose Brymer; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Carl Planinc is survived by his wife of 72
20 years, Virginia; his sister, Violet Mayer; his grandson, Peyton
21 (Kelly) Blewett; his great-grandson, Brandon Blewett; and many
22 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Dr. Carl Planinc, and extend our sincere condolences to his
4 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Dr. Carl Planinc as an expression of
8 our deepest sympathy.