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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 Hiles Stout of Peoria, who passed away on October 31, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Hiles Stout was born in Peoria to Gale and Mildred Stout on May 10, 1935; he graduated from Peoria High School in 1953, where he established records in football, basketball, and baseball; he was a standout quarterback and a tough and rugged center in basketball, leading Peoria High School to a second place finish in the 1953 single-class state tournament; at one time, his 1,546 career basketball points and single-game high of 48, were records for all local prep players; he was also a power-hitting first baseman; and

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WHEREAS, Hiles Stout had many athletic scholarship offers; he chose the University of Illinois over Michigan, Notre Dame, Miami, Georgia, and Kansas; he went on to become a two-sport star for Illinois in both football and basketball, earning three football letters and three basketball letters; he also played baseball for two years; following graduation, he had interest from professional football teams and was offered a tryout by the Cleveland Browns; and

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WHEREAS, Hiles Stout married Marcia Kittilsen in 1960; and

1 WHEREAS, Hiles Stout returned to Peoria and worked as a
2 sales representative for Caterpillar, Inc.; he then went on to
3 serve several years in the United States Marine Corps; he
4 returned to Peoria after completing his military service, and
5 in the early 1960s accepted an offer to form an insurance
6 agency partnership; he owned the Hecht-Stout Insurance Agency
7 for many years; and

8 WHEREAS, Hiles Stout was inducted into the Greater Peoria
9 Sports Hall of Fame and the Illinois Basketball Coaches
10 Association Hall of Fame; he enjoyed handball, tennis, and
11 running, completing three marathons; he loved spending the
12 winter months in Marco Island, Florida and spent countless
13 hours watching his grandkids participate in youth, high school,
14 and college sports; he co-founded the St. Jude Tennis Classic;
15 he was a successful fundraiser for the St. Jude Midwest
16 Affiliate, chairing the event for 26 years and raising more
17 than \$1 million; he attended Grace Presbyterian Church for 50
18 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Hiles Stout was preceded in death by his wife,
20 Marcia; and

21 WHEREAS, Hiles Stout is survived by his children, Wade
22 Stout, Sally (Steve) Ferlmann, and Susie (Jeff) Sorenson, and

1 his grandchildren, Melissa, Claire, Jessica, Peter, Katie,
2 Wyatt, Alex, Michael, Ellie, and John; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
5 Hiles Stout, and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
6 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Hiles Stout as an expression of our
9 deepest sympathy.