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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 James E. "Ed" Lawson of Rock Island, who passed away on April 17, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, James Lawson was born in Gauley Bridge, West Virginia to James G. and Frances I. McClellan Lawson on September 28, 1920; he served in the United States Navy during World War II in the South Pacific; he was awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received in action; he married Faye J. Vetter at the Church of Peace United Church of Christ in Rock Island on March 19, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, James Lawson worked as a crane operator and later farmed in the Milan area; he was also a dealer for Heritage Fencing; and

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WHEREAS, James Lawson was a past president of the Rock Island County Farm Bureau; he was a member of Reynolds American Legion Post 1166, Aledo VFW Post 1571, and Rock Island County Voiture No. 237 of the 40 & 8; and

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WHEREAS, James Lawson was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Everett, Elmer, Bert, Jeff, Harold, Roy, Paul, Darrell, and Arthur; and his sisters, Gladys and Irene Hampton;

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2 WHEREAS, James Lawson is survived by his wife, Faye; his
3 sisters, Beulah Sloan, and Sally Doss; and numerous nieces and
4 nephews; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 James E. "Ed" Lawson, and extend our sincere condolences to his
8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of James Lawson as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.