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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 Jack Barclay of Tempe, Arizona, formerly of Oak Park, who passed away on May 30, 2017 at the age of 89; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Barclay was born in Oak Park, the oldest of three siblings, on October 27, 1927; he graduated from Emerson Grammar School and Oak Park and River Forest High School; he then attended Wheaton College and graduated from the Illinois Institute of Technology; he spent more than 80 years of his life in Oak Park; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Barclay was known for his many architectural designs, especially those in the recreation field, including baseball fields, ice rinks, tennis courts, and community buildings; his work took him around the city of Chicago, and he designed both the original Ridgeland Common and Rehm Pool facilities in Oak Park, as well as many other park district centers; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Barclay loved his work; he would stay up late into the night and get five or six hours of sleep; he was known to keep working until he could no longer hold a pencil; he semi-retired in 2005 and was able to enjoy extensive travel

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1 with family and friends; and

2 WHEREAS, Jack Barclay was generous with his time and
3 volunteered for many organizations, including the Oak Park
4 YMCA, Boy Scouts of America, the Rotary Club of Oak Park-River
5 Forest, and the Oak Park Education Fund; he was active in his
6 church, Woodside Bible Chapel, Young Life, and Bible Study
7 Fellowship; he was called the spiritual leader of his family;
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9 WHEREAS, Jack Barclay was generous to others; he and his
10 wife, Eloise, whom he met at Wheaton College, would open up
11 their home to anyone who needed help; he would invite others on
12 family fishing trips to talk and share life; and

13 WHEREAS, Jack Barclay was preceded in death by his wife,
14 Eloise; and

15 WHEREAS, Jack Barclay is survived by his children, Becky
16 Barclay, John Barclay III, Scott Barclay, Janelle Barclay, and
17 Bruce Barclay; his brother, A. Hayes Barclay; his cousin, Hugh
18 Barclay; his 13 grandchildren; and his 13 great-grandchildren;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 Jack Barclay and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
2 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Jack Barclay as an expression of our
5 deepest sympathy.