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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Jerome L. "Jerry" Riley of Woodstock, who 4 passed away on April 20, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, Jerry Riley was born in Ferndale, Michigan to
6 William H. and Clara Eve (Cardinal) Riley on November 17, 1926;
7 he served in the United States Army with the HQ 9th Troop Reg
8 GP from 1945 until 1947; he married Patricia J. Dittman in
9 Woodstock on September 15, 1951; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Riley worked for the family business, Riley and Riley Mobil, from 1950 until 1972; he then worked at the other family business, Dittman Plumbing & Heating, until his retirement in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Riley was a charter member and Unit Representative for the Woodstock Boy Scout Troop 776; he was a member of St. Mary Church, the Woodstock Knights of Columbus, where he served as treasurer, and the Woodstock VFW Post 5040, where he participated in the Honor Guard; he had a passion for woodworking, and with his friend, Albert Idler, made furniture and toys for family and friends and worked on projects for St. Mary Church; he also enjoyed traveling with Patty in their RV, golfing, reading, and baseball; in his retirement, he joined a

- 1 softball league; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Jerry Riley was preceded in death by his parents;
- 3 his wife, Patricia; his brothers, Gordon, Donald, William, and
- David; his sisters, Mary T. McCarthy, Shirley Rose, and Phyllis
- 5 Vintz; and his infant grandson, Roger Hahn; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Jerry Riley is survived by his children, Leo
- 7 (Christine) Riley, Timothy Riley, Bridget (Craig) Parman, and
- 8 Colleen (Frank) Gosser; his grandchildren, Meghan, Aaron,
- 9 Christopher, Ian, Ryan, Alison, Kelly, Wes, Jeremy, and Alex;
- 10 his 13 great-grandchildren; his sister, Audrey Meyer; his
- 11 sister-in-law, Mary Lee Klabunde; his brother-in-law, William
- 12 Dittman; and his many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- Jerome L. "Jerry" Riley and extend our sincere condolences to
- 16 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to the family of Jerry Riley as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.