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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of

- Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Hubert W.
- 4 "Jess" Woodruff II of Salem, who passed away on September 14,
- 5 2019; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Hubert Woodruff was born in Oneida, South Dakota 7 to Constance Noste and Lewis McCabe Woodruff on July 14, 1923;
- 8 he attended Peoria Central High School, where he met Helen
- 9 Siepert, the woman he would eventually marry; he served in the
- 10 U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II as a Pilot Commander of a
- 11 B-17 Bomber, acquiring 756 hours of military flight time and
- rising to the rank of 2nd Lieutenant; after the war, he resumed
- 13 his education, graduating from Bradley University in Peoria and
- 14 then from the University of Illinois, where he earned a Juris
- 15 Doctorate; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Hubert Woodruff lived in Iowa, Missouri,
- 17 Pennsylvania, and Minnesota before settling in Illinois in
- 18 1940; he began his career as a practicing attorney in Peoria;
- 19 he interrupted his practice in 1956 to serve as the State
- 20 Senator for the 18th District (Peoria); he then resumed the
- 21 practice of law as a corporate attorney with Christian
- 22 Universal Life, which resulted in his family's relocation to
- 23 Salem in 1963; he later opened a law office in Salem, where he

- 1 practiced until his retirement; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Hubert Woodruff was preceded in death by his
- 3 parents; his brothers, Vaughn N. and Maurice L. Woodruff; and
- 4 his sister, Corrine E. Woodruff Michel; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Hubert Woodruff is survived by his wife of 75
- 6 years, Helen S. Woodruff; his sons, Jeffrey, Bradley, Todd, and
- 7 Gregg; his daughter, Deborah; six grandchildren; and ten
- 8 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 10 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 11 we mourn the passing of Hubert W. "Jess" Woodruff II and extend
- our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who
- 13 knew and loved him; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Hubert Woodruff as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.