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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 Arnold W. "Arnie" Schlegel of Waukegan; and

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WHEREAS, Arnie Schlegel was born in Racine, Wisconsin to Lorenz and Meta (Strey) on November 2, 1924; he was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church and graduated from Horlick High School in Racine in 1942; he served his country in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946 as Staff Sergeant, Company K, 71st Infantry, 44th Division; he received a Combat Infantry Badge and a European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal with one Bronze Star; he married Verna Kump at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin in 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Arnie Schlegel received his Master of Science from the University of Wisconsin; he taught business education studies and economics for two years in Brooklyn, Wisconsin and in Lafayette, Indiana; he then served as an educator at Waukegan High School from 1959 to 1992, where he co-created the computer programming curriculum; and

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WHEREAS, Arnie Schlegel enjoyed traveling through Europe; he played the West Campus organ for the travelogue pictures for 25 years and was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, where he

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1 served as Sunday school teacher, stewardship chairman,
2 treasurer, and choir member; he rebuilt an old church organ,
3 grew flowers from seeds, and constructed a rock garden and pond
4 for the yard; he collected replicas of ships, music boxes, and
5 steins; he loved music and could play many instruments in his
6 early years; he entertained others with German folk songs and
7 puns; he was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather; and

8 WHEREAS, Arnie Schlegel was preceded in death by his
9 parents and his sons-in-law, Richard Neil and Lawrence Tessmer;
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11 WHEREAS, Arnie Schlegel is survived by his wife of 68
12 years, Verna; his daughters, Kimberly and Laurie; his
13 grandsons, Richard, William (Kelly), and Gregory (Brandy); his
14 step-great-grandson, Johnaton, and one on the way; and his
15 sister-in-law, Carrie Viola (Bill); therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Arnold W. "Arnie" Schlegel and extend our sincere condolences
19 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
20 it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of Arnie Schlegel as an expression of

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1 our deepest sympathy.