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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 John P. Ridder of New Berlin, who passed away on December 7, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, John Ridder was born to John J. and Effie Coker Ridder in Jacksonville on October 21, 1923; he graduated from Jacksonville High School; he served in the U.S. Army in the Philippines from 1943 to 1945, and he was awarded a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star for his efforts during the Battle for Luzon; he married Agnes "Ag" Taylor, and she preceded him in death on January 8, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, John Ridder had a long and distinguished career in construction; he was well respected as one of the best finish carpenters in the area and worked with several generations of the Chumley family; and

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WHEREAS, John Ridder was a life member of the American Legion; and

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WHEREAS, John Ridder enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, golfing, and rooting for the University of Illinois and the St. Louis Cardinals; and

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1 WHEREAS, John Ridder was preceded in death by his wife of
2 68 years, Agnes; his daughter, Beverly Saylor; his sisters,
3 Nellie Ridder, Virgil Sperry, Rose Hartmeister, and Clara
4 Chumley; and his brothers, George, James, and Andrew Ridder;
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6 WHEREAS, John Ridder is survived by his daughter, Cheryl
7 (Bob) Rainey; his son-in-law, Mike (the late Beverly) Saylor;
8 his grandchildren, Sean (Jennifer) Saylor, Chris (Julie)
9 Saylor, Cara (Jed) Findlay, and Tricia (Graham) Mattes; his
10 great-grandchildren, Peyton and Jase Saylor, Ben and Jack
11 Findlay, Griffin, Owen and Brooks Mattes, and Delaney and
12 McCoy Ridder Saylor; and his numerous nieces and nephews;
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 John P. Ridder and extend our sincere condolences to his
17 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of John Ridder as an expression of our
21 deepest sympathy.