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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Jerry E. Ely of Springfield, who 4 passed away on January 24, 2023; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Jerry Ely was born to Howard and Norma (Suedel) 6 Ely in Gillespie on March 5, 1929; he married Marion Donnelly 7 on May 11, 1957, and she preceded him in death after 65 years 8 of marriage on December 8, 2022; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Jerry Ely served as an active duty member of the 10 U.S. Air Force for 20 years before retiring in 1971; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Jerry Ely worked with the Department of General 12 Service Administration and the U.S. Secret Service and was 13 acting director of the V.A. Camp Butler National Cemetery; he 14 retired after 20 years of service in 1991; and
- WHEREAS, Jerry Ely was a member of Christ the King Church,

 Knights of Columbus #4179, V.F.W. Post #755, and Disabled

 American Veterans, Chapter 15; and
- WHEREAS, Jerry Ely was preceded in death by his parents;

 his brothers, Gilbert and John Ely; his sister, Mary Carrigan;

 and his granddaughter, Sarah Ely; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Jerry Ely is survived by his son, Todd Ely; his
- 2 granddaughter, Lauren (Tony) Nevins; his great-granddaughters,
- 3 Lila, Cora, and Gia Nevins; and his sister, Martha (Dennis)
- 4 Solon; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Jerry E. Ely and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
- 8 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of Jerry Ely as an expression of our
- 11 deepest sympathy.