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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Dr. John William Hoban of Aurora on November 15, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, John William Hoban was born on March 13, 1920, in Detroit, Michigan to the late John William Hoban Sr. and Stella (Watson) Hoban; he graduated from Detroit Catholic Central High School in 1937 and helped support his family while attending night school at the University of Detroit; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hoban valiantly served his country in the U.S. Navy, beginning in 1942; he flew 20 mission in the central Pacific during World War II; his wartime honors included the Distinguished Flying Cross; he remained on active duty until 1955, after which he spent another 13 years in the U.S. Navy, finishing in 1968 at the rank of Lieutenant Commander; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hoban married Arline Dorr in 1948; he worked as an administrator for the University of Detroit and Lawrence Institute of Technology; he joined the staff of Waubensee Community College in Aurora in 1968 as assistant Dean of Adult Education; he received his Doctorate in Education in 1972; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hoban continued to share his teaching gifts; he taught adult education classes in philosophy, Great Decisions, and economics for Holy Angels Parish and was a member of the board of the Aurora Catholic Education Foundation; despite the fact that he already held an Ed. D., he spent a summer student teaching at the high school level in order to earn his teacher's certificate; in 1978, he left the administrative offices at Waubensee and began teaching economics and business, which he enjoyed immensely until his retirement in 1989; and

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1           WHEREAS, Dr. Hoban remained active in community service  
2 during his retirement, volunteering for the Service Corps of  
3 Retired Executives (SCORE), Aurora's PADS program, and the Holy  
4 Angels Food Pantry; he and his wife traveled extensively, and  
5 he enjoyed the company and accomplishments of his children and  
6 grandchildren; he was an enthusiastic golfer, card player, and  
7 fisherman; he was a member of Holy Angels Church; and

8           WHEREAS, The passing of Dr. John William Hoban has been  
9 deeply felt by many, especially his wife of 55 years, Arline;  
10 his children, John William III (Tina Luster), Michael (Nancy)  
11 Christopher (Jane), David (Laura), Sarah (Mitch Walker), and  
12 Suzanne (John Sullivan); his 11 grandchildren; his sisters, Sr.  
13 Rita Hoban IHM, Rose Dykas, Rita Hoban, and Josephine Hoban;  
14 and his numerous nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

15           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL  
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
17 Dr. John William Hoban, and we extend our sincere condolences  
18 to his friends, family, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
19 it further

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