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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Lloyd E. Falconer of Rockford on November 2, 2004; and

WHEREAS, He was born on April 11, 1940, in Chicago, to Dr. Everett G. and Vara C. (Fifer) Falconer; he graduated from Rockford West High School in 1957 and obtained his bachelor of arts degree in chemistry from Manchester College in North Manchester, Indiana, in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Falconer married Brenda Bontrager on June 3, 1961, in Wawaka, Indiana; he was first employed by Harshaw Chemical Co. in Chicago and then Atlantic Richfield Co. in Chicago and California; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, he joined Seward Screw Products Inc. in Seward, where he became secretary/treasurer; he grew into a champion of small-business rights, pushing for tax breaks and regulations that would make it easier for mom and pop shops to succeed; he joined the National Federation of Independent Business, first with the Illinois Leadership Council, later as chairman of the National Leadership Trust, and most recently, he sat on the National Board of Directors; his other roles in the community included serving as president of Seward Ag Supply Inc.; as president of Solarcone Inc.; as a member of the Advisory Council on Agriculture, Labor, and Small Business of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; and as a regulatory board member of the Small Business Administration, Region 5; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Falconer was active in his community and served on the Winnebago School Board for several years, was an organist and board member of First Church of the Brethren in Rockford, a member of the Rockford Burns Club, a supporter of the City of Rockford Pipe Band, a supporter of the Rockford

1 area arts, and a member of the Greater Rockford Area Barber
2 Shop Chorus; and

3 WHEREAS, He loved to travel, especially to places where he
4 could swim, scuba dive, and snorkel; he was a devoted family
5 man; and

6 WHEREAS, The passing of Lloyd E. Falconer has been deeply
7 felt by many, especially his wife, Brenda Falconer; his
8 children, Sarah (Alex) Luna and Andrew (Lisa) Falconer; his
9 grandchildren, Alexander and John Luna; his mother, Vara
10 Falconer; his sister, Virginia (Ebrahim) Sarkarati; his
11 brother, Dale (Barbara) Falconer; his nephews, David (Shannon)
12 Sarkarati and Kamran Sarkarati; his aunts, Woodena (Woodrow)
13 Colvin and Myrtle McCray; and his numerous cherished cousins
14 and dear friends; he was preceded in death by his father, Dr.
15 Everett G. Falconer; his uncle, Earl McCray; and his aunt, Wava
16 Diehl; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
19 Lloyd E. Falconer, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
23 presented to the family of Mr. Falconer as an expression of our
24 sincere condolences and in remembrance of the many
25 contributions he made to the world of small-business and his
26 community.