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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to express
3 their sincere condolences to the family and friends of Arnold
4 "Arnie" Millen, who passed away on on December 7, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Millen was born on May 16, 1928, in Aurora, to
6 Catherine and John Millen; he graduated from Marmion Military
7 Academy in 1946; he married the former Doris S. Minnich on
8 February 26, 1949, and they went on to have a total of 9 sons, 5
9 daughters, and 22 grandchildren; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Millen lived in Aurora for the first 10 years
11 of his marriage, where he was active in the St. Joseph's Holy
12 Name Society, the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Building Fund
13 Committee and the Knights of Columbus; he was a member of the
14 Phoenix Club and later became active in Our Lady of Good
15 Counsel Church; at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mr. Millen was the
16 president of the Holy Name Society, an active member of the
17 Christian Family Movement, and the chairman of the Our Lady of
18 Good Counsel pledge drive to build the Our Lady of Good Counsel
19 Catholic School; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Millen was a plumbing fitting salesman, who
21 opened his own business, Hydronic Supply Company, in Aurora in
22 1965, selling plumbing supplies to building contractors and
23 plumbers; prior to starting his own business, Mr. Millen worked
24 as one of the top salesman for Builders Plumbing and Heating
25 Supply Co., out of Chicago; and

26 WHEREAS, His quick wit and charming smile made him a
27 natural salesman, but it was his reputation for being a fair
28 and honest man that earned him the loyalty of his customers;
29 Mr. Millen sold his business in 1982 and began working as a
30 salesman for Kitchen Distributors of America (KDA) on New York
31 Street in Aurora; that business later moved to a site near Fox

1 Valley Mall; and

2 WHEREAS, As an avid golfer, Mr. Millen achieved the
3 remarkable feat of capturing 6 holes-in-one during his
4 lifetime; his last hole-in-one was shot on October 18, 2005 at
5 Canoa Hills in Green Valley, AZ; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Millen was a member of Our Lady of Fatima
7 Catholic Church in Tuscon, AZ; at the end of his life, he
8 supported a new inner city school, San Miguel Catholic H.S., so
9 that young people could learn more about the Catholic faith and
10 have the insights necessary to maintain their faith as they got
11 older and faced some of life's challenges; and

12 WHEREAS, He is preceded in death by his parents; his
13 brother, Ray; his sister, Corinne Millen Rowe; and his son,
14 Joseph Arnold Millen; and

15 WHEREAS, The passing of Arnold Millen will be felt by all
16 who knew and loved him, especially his wife, Doris S. Millen;
17 his sons, Michael J. Millen, Anthony P. Millen, James E.
18 (Laura) Millen, Daniel E. (Joy) Millen, David W. (Pat) Millen,
19 Gregory A. Millen, Samuel A. (Laura) Millen, Andrew J. (Jenny)
20 Millen; his daughters, Susan A. (Tim) Welsh, Eileen (Bob)
21 Goins, Linda (Gary) Schwartz, Marie Millen Page, and Carolyn
22 (Peter) Krysciak; his grandchildren, Melanie M. Welsh, Rory M.
23 Welsh, Bridget M. Welsh, Carolyn M. Welsh, Nicholas P. Welsh,
24 Christopher M. Goins, Dawn G. Gray, Dustin Millen Brozenec,
25 Natalie M. Schwartz , Aaron M. Schwartz, Kristy M. Millen,
26 Nicole Alexander, Angelica F. Millen, Frances Millen, Amanda R.
27 Millen, Ryan D. Millen, Adam P. Page, Austin K. Page, Erika J.
28 Millen, Alexandra L. Millen, Elizabeth S. Millen, and Max
29 Millen; his 3 great-grandchildren; his sister, Helen Millen
30 Windisch; and his many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

31 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
2 all who knew and loved him, the death of Arnold "Arnie" Millen;
3 and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Arnold "Arnie" Millen as an
6 expression of our sympathy.