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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois
- 3 learned with sadness of the death of Myron L. Wormley of
- 4 Oswego, on April 8, 2006; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Myron L. Wormley was born October 7, 1914, to
- 6 Arthur and Pearl (Garvey) Wormley; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Wormley attended the one-room Wormley School;
- 8 he was a student at the Oswego elementary school that is today
- 9 known as the Little White School Museum; he graduated from East
- 10 Aurora High School; he received his bachelor's degree in
- 11 agriculture from the University of Illinois; and
- 12 WHEREAS, While in college, he served as the manager for the
- 13 1935 Fighting Illini football team; he was loyal to his alma
- mater and eagerly attended Illini games until his late 80's;
- 15 and
- WHEREAS, On March 2, 1940, Myron married Frances Budd at
- 17 the home of her parents, Frank and Edna (Darnell) Budd, in
- 18 Millbrook, Illinois; Myron spoke affectionately of his wife and
- 19 called her "Frannie"; and
- 20 WHEREAS, After college, Mr. Wormley returned to his
- 21 family's land and farmed it until 1959; when, in 1957, the farm
- reached its 100th year of operation, he designated the land as
- "Century Acres"; and
- 24 WHEREAS, In 1959, Myron established Wormley Real Estate and
- 25 continued in that endeavor until his retirement in the late
- 26 1980's; in 1971, he and Frannie built the first home in what is
- 27 now Century Estates, the portion of the family farm that lies
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WHEREAS, Myron L. Wormley held elective office as an Oswego Township Supervisor for 25 years, following in the footsteps of his grandfather, also named Myron Wormley, a long-time supervisor; he was also elected to serve on the Oswego Grade School Board and the Kendall County Board; and

WHEREAS, Myron L. Wormley was one of the organizers of the Kendall County Historical Society; one of the driving forces behind Myron's interest in and dedication to local history was a fire that destroyed his family's farmhouse, heirlooms, and records; his enthusiasm for the preservation of local history contributed to the creation of the Historic Lyon Farm and Village and the relocation of the historic Fox-Oswego House and other structures to that site; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wormley's community service included his years as a Republican Precinct Committeeman and his leadership as a founding director of the Oswego Community Bank; other organizations that benefited from his vision and leadership included the Kendall County Farm Bureau, the Grove Road Farmers Club, the Oswego Lions Club, Masonic Lodge #303, and the West River Agriculture 4-H Club; and

WHEREAS, Although Myron and Frances Wormley enjoyed their extensive world travels which included stops on every continent except Antarctica, the Oswego community was always close to their hearts; accordingly, it was no surprise that Myron and Frances Wormley recently donated land to the Oswego Park District for the Wormley Heritage Park; and

WHEREAS, Myron had a life-long love of horses and rode horses around the community until he was well into his 70's; it was truly fitting that his casket was carried by a horse-drawn hearse from the Oswego Presbyterian Church, through Oswego, to his final resting place at the Oswego Township Cemetery; and

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1 WHEREAS, Myron L. Wormley was preceded in death by four

2 infant grandsons; and

3 WHEREAS, The passing of Myron L. Wormley is felt by all who 4 knew and loved him, especially his wife, Frances Wormley; his 5 three children, James (Cheryl) Wormley, Jean (Paul) Rothfusz, and Budd Wormley; his eleven grandchildren, Ryan (Gwen) 6 7 Wormley, Paul (Rosemary) Wormley, Matthew Wormley and fiancée Alexis Ashley, Mark (Lydia) Rothfusz, John (Elsie) Rothfusz, 8 Anne (Shawn) Johnson, Mary (Jeffery) Foster, Adam Wormley, Sara 9 Wormley, Seth Wormley, and Kendall Wormley; his fifteen 10 11 great-grandchildren; his cousins, Jerry (Mary) Grauf and 12 Thomas Garvey; and his friend and caregiver, Anna Dobryanska; therefore, be it 13

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Myron L. Wormley and we extend our sincerest condolences to his family, friends, and the Oswego community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our deepest 20 sympathy.