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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

of the Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of former 4 State Representative Gilbert Deavers of Blowing Rock, North 5 Carolina and Naples, Florida, formerly of Bloomington, on 6 December 15, 2006; and 7 WHEREAS, Gilbert Deavers was an insurance and financial 8 planner for more than 40 years; he was elected to the Illinois 9 House of Representatives from 1973 to 1979, serving as 10 Assistant Minority Leader his last year; and 11 WHEREAS, He was born in Lexington, Illinois on February 28, 12 1931; he graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University with a 13 Bachelor of Science degree and the University of Illinois with 14 a Master's degree; and WHEREAS, Gilbert Deavers served in the United States Army 15 during the Korean War from 1951 to 1953; he served in a Mobile 16 Army Surgical Hospital (M.A.S.H.) unit as an operating room 17 technician and received two bronze stars, a United Nations 18 19 service medal, and a National Defense service medal; and 20 WHEREAS, Gilbert Deavers taught at Normal Community High 21 School for seven years in subjects such as physical education,

driver's education, and business education as well as coaching

- 2 football; and
- 3 WHEREAS, While serving in the Illinois House he served on
- 4 the Rules Committee as Chairperson and the Recreational
- 5 Council; and he enjoyed history, golf, poker, and fishing; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Gilbert Deavers is survived by his wife, Jane
- 7 Deavers; his son, Doug Deavers; and his daughter, Dianne
- 8 Siverly; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 10 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 11 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of former
- 12 State Representative Gilbert Deavers; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Gilbert Deavers.