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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Thomas G. Scullen of Appleton, Wisconsin, formerly of Aurora, who passed away on May 30, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas G. Scullen, Ed.D. impacted thousands of school children, teachers, athletes, coaches, and other educators during the course of his 45-year commitment to public education; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Scullen was born August 9, 1938 in Detroit, Michigan, the son of the late James and Kathleen (nee Murphy) Scullen and brother to the late Patricia (Richard) McCausland; on November 26, 1960, Tom married his high school sweetheart, Janet Gohlke, at St. Raymond Catholic Church in Detroit; he was a student and athlete at St. Charles Borromeo grade school and high school and won a football scholarship to the University of Detroit, where he received his undergraduate degree; and

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WHEREAS, He received his graduate degrees at Eastern Michigan University and Wayne State University; he worked in Michigan public school districts in Oak Park, L'Anse Creuse, and Chippewa Valley from 1962 to 1985; he then served as the Superintendent of Indian Prairie School District 204 in Naperville from 1985 to 1995, and was selected as the 1993

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1 Superintendent of the Year by the Illinois Association of
2 School Administrators; he was later honored by the 2001 opening
3 of the Thomas G. Scullen Middle School in Naperville; and

4 WHEREAS, During the height of his career from 1995 until
5 2007, Tom Scullen served as the Superintendent of the Appleton,
6 Wisconsin Area School District; in 2003 he was selected as the
7 Superintendent of the Year, by the Wisconsin Association of
8 School District Administrators; in 2007, he was greatly honored
9 when the Appleton Area School District acknowledged his
10 leadership skills by renaming the administration building the
11 Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Center; a scholarship fund has
12 been established in his name to sustain his influence on
13 leadership development in the Fox Valley for years to come; and

14 WHEREAS, Thomas Scullen is survived by his wife, Jan; his
15 children, Mary Kay (Tim) Gallagher and their daughters, Katie
16 and Sarah, Sandi Scullen, and Michael (Liesl) Scullen and their
17 children, Lindsey and Sean; his sister, Sandy Scullen; his
18 brother, James (Marcia) Scullen; his brother-in-law, David
19 (Carol) Gohlke; his sisters-in-law, Carol (Norb) Caron and
20 Nancy (Randy) Gabeline; and by his nieces, nephews, other
21 relatives, and many friends and colleagues; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
23 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with

1 his family and friends, the passing of Thomas Scullen; and be
2 it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Thomas Scullen as a symbol of our
5 sympathy and deep respect.