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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Roy Fair of Sugar Grove, who passed away 4 on September 30, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Roy Fair was born July 11, 1935, in Myrtle, 6 Mississippi, the son of Sybil Fair (nee Aston) and the late Roy 7 Fair Sr.; and

8 WHEREAS, Roy Fair was in the real estate business, 9 beginning in 1959; he started his own company in Aurora in 10 1963, and achieved a 60% market share in the Aurora market 11 under the Fair & Company flag; he maintained offices in 12 Yorkville, Geneva, Montgomery, Naperville, and Aurora during 13 those years; and

14 WHEREAS, He served on the Aurora Board of Realtors for many 15 years, becoming its president in 1968 and eventually serving as president of the Illinois Association of Realtors in 1980; Mr. 16 Fair continued to serve the association at all three levels and 17 18 had finished his 22nd year as a director of the National 19 Association of Realtors; he was awarded the highest honor of the association by being named Realtor of the Year by the 20 21 Aurora Association in 1973, and Realtor of the Year by the Illinois State Association in 1982; in 2003, he was awarded the 22

SR0394 -2- LRB095 14035 KXB 39875 r 1 coveted Hall of Fame Award from the Aurora Tri-County 2 Association of Realtors for his continuing dedication and 3 service to the industry; and

4 WHEREAS, As chairman of the National Legislative 5 Committee, Mr. Fair was instrumental in securing legislation to 6 allow the FHA interest rate to float with the market; during his years in the business he built over 400 homes in the Aurora 7 8 area, purchased, rehabbed, and financed over 100 low and 9 moderate income houses, trained hundreds of real estate agents 10 in the sales end of the business, and developed and managed 11 numerous real estate investments; he carried the prestigious 12 Realtor designation of Certified Residential Broker; he served 13 as chairman of the South Kane County American Cancer Crusade, 14 chairman of the Downtown Aurora Committee of the Aurora Chamber 15 of Commerce, director of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, and on 16 Governor Thompson's Task Force on Home Ownership; and

17 WHEREAS, Roy Fair is survived by his wife. Sue Wiskowski-Fair; his sons, Mike (Laurie) Fair, Terry (Cindy) 18 Fair, and David (Debbie) Fair; his twelve grandchildren, Sandy 19 20 (Bob) Cary, Susan (Mark) Alsip, Samantha (George) Pilgrim, 21 Garett Fair, Derek Fair, Jared Fair, Shana Fair, Richard Fair, 22 John (Stacy) Fair, Andrea Fair, James Fair, and Selena Hensley; his twelve great-grandchildren; his mother, Sybil Fair; his 23 24 sisters, Doris (Fred) Moore, and Ann Louise (Sonny) Churchill;

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2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 4 his family and friends, the passing of Roy Fair; and be it 5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 7 presented to the family of Roy Fair as a symbol of our 8 sympathy.