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SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Gerald "Jerry" Bailey of Herrin, who 4 passed away on November 26, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Gerald Bailey was born on the Fourth of July in 6 Kansas City, Kansas, in 1918 to the Reverend Fred M. and Ethel 7 G. Bailey; Gerald married Dorothy Royse of Clayton, Missouri, 8 on March 5, 1943, and they shared 63 years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Bailey was a 1941 graduate of Washington University School of Business; after graduation he attended United States Army Officers Candidate School, where he obtained the rank of captain before his discharge in 1945; Gerald and his family moved to Herrin in 1956, where he became the owner and operator of the Standard Oil Station until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, He was dedicated to First United Methodist Church in Herrin, where he served as trustee; he was also very active in the Herrin United Way, where he was past president and drive chairman; he also was a member of the Herrin Rotary Club and the Herrin Chamber of Commerce, and in 2004 was named Herrin's "Citizen of the Year"; his 75 years of commitment to Scouting was unsurpassed and he received every award available from the

- 1 Boy Scouts of America, including Eagle Scout and Order of the
- 2 Silver Beaver; the Little Grassy Pine Ridge Scout Camp Lodge
- 3 was dedicated and named "Bailey Lodge" in honor of Gerald and
- 4 Dorothy Bailey in August of 2007; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Gerald Bailey ws preceded in death by his parents;
- 6 his wife, Dorothy Royse Bailey; his brother; his sisters; his
- 7 brother-in-law; and his son-in-law; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Gerald Bailey is survived by three daughters and
- 9 one son-in-law, Susan and Richard Hampton, Kay Crump, and
- 10 Beverly; his three grandchildren, including grandson, Shane
- Hampton and his wife, Erin, granddaughter, Rachel Hampton
- 12 Gebhardt, and grandson, Brian Crump; his four
- 13 great-grandchildren, Gabrielle and Zachary Gebhardt and Connor
- 14 and Carson Hampton; his sister-in-law, Francis Blackwell; and
- several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
- 17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- 18 his family and friends, the passing of Gerald Bailey; and be it
- 19 further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 21 presented to the family of Gerald Bailey as a symbol of our
- 22 sincere sympathy.