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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Roger Place of Woodridge, who passed away 4 on May 7, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Roger Place and his wife of 42 years, Sharon, began their life together after meeting at the University of 7 Minnesota in 1966, where they were both majoring in theatre; they quickly formed a bond, which led to their marriage; and

WHEREAS, Roger Place was an employee of Lisle-based Bellcore for 25 years; he served his country with pride and distinction as a member of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Roger Place took part in numerous theatrical productions in his community, both on stage and behind the scenes; his and his wife's love for theatre and music was also shared by his daughters; the family's love affair with theatre led them to manage the Naperville community theatre, The Summer Place, for 2 years in the late 1980s; in total, the family's involvement in community theater has spanned over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Roger Place also enjoyed flying and playing golf; he worked as a flight instructor out of Clow International Airport in Bolingbrook and worked at two local golf courses,

1 Seven Bridges and The Village Greens, both in Woodridge, after

- 2 his retirement; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Roger Place took great pride in raising and
- 4 supporting his family, his lovely wife Sharon and two wonderful
- 5 daughters, Jennifer and Susan; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Roger Place will be remembered by all who knew and
- 7 loved him as a courageous soldier, an accomplished thespian, a
- 8 beloved husband, father, and grandfather, and as a devoted
- 9 friend; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- 12 his family and friends, the passing of Roger Place; and be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Roger Place as an expression of our
- 16 sympathy.