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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 Charles E. Blackman of River Forest, who passed away on February 12, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Charles E. Blackman was born in Kirkwood, Missouri on February 10, 1924 to Hays and Mary Elizabeth Blackman; he was raised in Beaumont, Texas, where he graduated from Beaumont High School; and

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WHEREAS, He served five years in the United States Navy during World War II as a 1st Class machinist mate; he was employed with Kraft Foods for 35 years until his retirement in 1984; and

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WHEREAS, He was a 62-year resident of River Forest; he enjoyed golfing, bowling, and going to the fitness center at Gottlieb Hospital; he was a great handyman, and was always willing to help out family and friends who needed help fixing anything and everything that needed fixing; he was an active grandpa, and he loved to wrestle with his grandsons, even into his 70s; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his daughter, Joan Mary Blackman; and

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1           WHEREAS, Charles Blackman is survived by his wife, Corinne  
2           A. (nee Stoll); his children, Charles E. Jr. (Luanne Ellison),  
3           Mark (Jane), and Nancy (Stephen) Lukasik; his seven  
4           grandchildren; and his great-grandchild; therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
6           ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
7           his family and friends, the passing of Charles Blackman; and be  
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9           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10          presented to the family of Charles Blackman as a symbol of our  
11          sincere sympathy.