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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Lemont Police Commander Donald J. Jones, 4 who passed away on January 2, 2009; and 5 WHEREAS, He was born in Chicago on June 29, 1953; he 6 graduated from Lyons Township High School; he 7 undergraduate degree in law enforcement; and in 1994, he 8 graduated from a staff and command program at Northwestern 9 University's Center for Public Safety; and 10 WHEREAS, He was behind the first national accreditation for the Lemont Police Department in 2003 and was working towards 11 12 the re-accreditation of the department; and 13 WHEREAS, He was a 30 year member of the Lemont Police 14 Department and was commander in charge of investigations and the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies 15 16 (CALEA) program; he was a past president of the Illinois Police Accreditation Coalition; and 17 18 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles 19 and Annette Jones; and

WHEREAS, He is survived by his wife, Paula (nee, Bachorz)

- Jones; his stepson, Thad (Nicole) Mezyk; his grandchildren,
- 2 Sarah, Krystal, and "Baby" Mezyk; and his siblings, Margaret,
- 3 Kenneth, and Teresa; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
- 5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- 6 his family, friends, and colleagues, the passing of Lemont
- 7 Police Commander Donald J. Jones; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the family of Donald J. Jones as a symbol of our
- 10 sincere sympathy.