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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 Elmer A. Dagenais of Naperville, who passed away on May 7, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Elmer A. Dagenais was born in Naperville, grew up in both Naperville and Lisle, and graduated from Naperville High School; in 1939, he married his wife of 59 years, Johanna, who passed away ten years ago; he married his second wife, Marilyn, in 2001; and

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WHEREAS, He began working with the Kroehler Manufacturing Company in the mailroom at the age of 15 and retired in 1978 as the executive vice president, but remained with the company as a consultant for two years; and

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WHEREAS, From 1945 to 1946, he served with the United States Army Air Forces in the Pacific theater during World Ward II; after his discharge, he returned to work with Kroehler Manufacturing Company, where over the next 30 years he worked for the product control and traffic departments, moving with his family at various points to help manage its manufacturing plants in New York and California; during his career with Kroehler, Mr. Dagenais served on the board of trustees of Naperville National Bank, Firststar Bank in Naperville, and

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1 Naperville Financial Corporation; and

2 WHEREAS, He was also a longtime member of Wesley United
3 Methodist Church in Naperville, where he served as a Sunday
4 school teacher for many years; in addition, he served on many
5 local boards such as Edward Hospital, North Central College,
6 and the Naperville YMCA; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Dagenais is survived by his wife, Marilyn; his
8 son, Douglas; his daughters, Carole Christensen, Donna
9 Dagenais, Judy Ann Hart, JoAnn Kolkay, Marlene Kiefer, and
10 Deborah Longer; his brother, Donald; his sister, Eleanor
11 Haddix; his eleven grandchildren; and his great-grandchild;
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
15 his family and friends, the passing of Elmer Dagenais; and be
16 it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Elmer Dagenais as a symbol of our
19 sincere sympathy.