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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 Daniel V. "Louie" McWethy, Jr., of Aurora, who passed away on October 2, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, He was born in Aurora October 26, 1918 and was a lifelong resident; he graduated from West Aurora High School in 1936 and the University of Illinois in 1940; and

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WHEREAS, He enlisted in the Marine Corps November 1, 1940 and was sent to Quantico, Virginia to the 1st Marine Officer Candidates School; after completing the school and graduating as a 2nd Lieutenant in June 1941, he was assigned to the 8th Marine Regiment at Camp Elliot in San Diego, California on January 6, 1942; he was sent with the 2nd Marine Brigade to American Samoa; following Samoa, he was engaged in the Battles of Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, and Tinian; his unit was awarded two Presidential Citations and the South Pacific Medal with four Battle Stars; he received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered on Saipan and returned to the United States in 1944 and was assigned to staff and command school at Quantico; and

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WHEREAS, After completing school he was assigned to Headquarters Marines Corps, Washington, DC, where he met his wife to be, Lillian G. "Elgie" Cavette; they married in March

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1 of 1945; in August of 1945 he was honorably discharged from the
2 Marine Corps as a Lt. Colonel and returned to Aurora with his
3 wife; he joined the McWethy Brothers Insurance Firm and worked
4 there until he retired in 1983; he served on the Boards of
5 Merchants National Bank for 35 years, Copley Hospital for 35
6 years, and Sunnymere for 33 years; he was a member of the
7 Aurora Country Club since 1946; and

8 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his wife, Elgie; and
9 his parents, Daniel and Nellie McWethy; and

10 WHEREAS, Daniel McWethy, Jr. is survived by his daughters,
11 Susan (Charlie) Holt, Sandy (Dave) Ellis, and Sally (Jack)
12 Townsend; his grandchildren, Kristine Whittle, Jamey (Keith)
13 Landry, Kelly (Mike) Samson, Robert (Blanca) Townsend, and
14 Michael (fiancé, Stephanie Savage) Townsend; his
15 great-granddaughters, Madelyn and Alison Landry; and his three
16 sisters, Tycka Ochsenschlager, Suzanne McWethy, and Betty Lou
17 (Dave) Sims; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
20 his family and friends, the passing of Daniel McWethy, Jr.; and
21 be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Daniel V. "Louie" McWethy, Jr. as a
2 symbol of our sincere sympathy.