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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Quillen Leigh Fox of Montgomery, who 4 passed away on September 19, 2009; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Quillen Fox was born in Randolph, Nebraska in 6 1918; he was the son of Robert and Anna Fox; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Quillen Fox graduated from Nebraska State 8 Teachers College (now Wayne State College) and received his 9 master's degree from the University of Illinois; and
- WHEREAS, In 1942, Quillen Fox joined the United States 10 11 Navy; he then attended Northwestern University Midshipman 12 School to receive training to serve as a naval officer in World 13 War II; following his training, he served aboard the U.S.S. Mullany and received the Bronze Star after his ship was 14 15 attacked by a Japanese plane during the campaign at Okinawa in April of 1945; after leaving active naval service in 1947, he 16 continued his naval service as a member of the Naval Reserve 17 18 until his retirement in 1983, when he retired with the rank of 19 Lieutenant Commander; and
- 20 WHEREAS, After World War II, Quillen Fox joined Investors 21 Diversified Services; in 1973, he switched careers to become a

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- teacher and coach on the south side of Chicago; during his
 career, he took part in an innovative program to prepare
 overage underachievers to finish high school; his students
 could always rely on Mr. Fox for clean uniforms, a ride to
 games, and a meal from McDonald's after the game; Mr. Fox
 served faithfully for 20 years until his retirement from
 teaching in 1993; and
 - WHEREAS, After his retirement, Quillen Fox became active in volunteer work; he devoted endless hours to Dreyer Clinic, Meals on Wheels, the Special Olympics, and the Kiwanis Club, where he was named Kiwanian of the Year in 2001; he served the congregation of Wesley Methodist Church faithfully as a Sunday School teacher and member of the Finance Committee; he was active in the Navy League and promoted Pearl Harbor Remembrance events; he also attended reunions of classmates from Wayne State College, classmates from Northwestern Midshipman School, and his shipmates from the U.S.S. Mullany; and
- WHEREAS, Quillen Fox was a Golden Gloves Champion and an all-around sports enthusiast; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Quillen Fox is survived by his wife of 64 years,
 21 Phyllis Kendall Fox; his daughters, Linda (Larry), Cindy
 22 Anderton (Steve), and Carol San Roman (Phil); and his 6
 23 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
- 2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- 3 his family and friends, the passing of Quillen Leigh Fox; and
- 4 be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to the family of Quillen Fox as an expression of our
- 7 sympathy.