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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Curtis L. Johnston of Sesser, who passed 4 away on February 23, 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was born on May 15, 1945, in 6 Whittington; he was the son of Harley and Nina (Rea) Johnston; 7 he married Lowanda (Hunt) Johnston on July 28, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was retired from Chester Mental Health after many years of dedicated service; he also served as a captain and fireman in the Sesser Fire Protection District for 24 years; and

WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston served as chairman of the Sesser Fire Protection District and the Sesser Library Board; he was a board member for the Giving Tree Fund in Sesser and the Modern Woodmen of America Camp 2966; he was also a member of the Franklin County Democrat Association, the Southern Illinois Coal Belt Association, and the Tazewell County Country Music Club; and

19 WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was a member of the Grace 20 Awakening Church in Benton; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was instrumental in the formation 2 and passage of Shib's Law, which protects firefighters as they 3 work on roadways and interstate highways; he also was very 4 instrumental in purchasing 3 pieces of fire equipment for his
- 5 fire station; and
- WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was an avid Democrat who enjoyed working for several candidates in many elections; following his retirement, he enjoyed mowing lawns, golfing, fishing trips, being outdoors, and playing and listening to country music; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston was preceded in death by his 11 parents and his brother, Everett Dale Johnston; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Curtis Johnston is survived by his wife; his 13 children, Kim and Raymond Scott; his grandchildren, Raylin 14 Scott and Cody Scott; his special niece, Tammy Priedis, and her 15 family; and his special nephew, James Johnston; therefore, be 16 it
- 17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
 19 his family and friends, the passing of Curtis L. Johnston; and
 20 be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Curtis Johnston as an expression of

2 our sympathy.