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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 George W. Donohoo, who passed away on December 18, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, George Donohoo was born on November 16, 1919, in Pearl; he was the son of Ray W. and Hazel (Lytle) Donohoo; he married his beloved wife, the former June Harszy, on April 15, 1950, in Alton; and

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WHEREAS, George Donohoo served his country with pride and distinction as a member of the United States Navy during World War II; he served as a torpedo doorman 3/C aboard the destroyer USS Wren, where he received 3 battle stars; he was also near the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay during the signing of the Japanese surrender; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from Pearl High School in 1937, George Donohoo went to work for the Olin Corporation in East Alton as a member of the Quality Control and Consumer Services Team from 1939 to 1981; and

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WHEREAS, George Donohoo played in the industrial baseball and basketball leagues during the 1940s and 1950s; he was an active trap shooter, hunter, bowler, and golfer; he was on the

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1 committee to establish the Westerner Club; he was also active
2 many times in Community Chest with the Junior Achievement
3 Program and as a Little League Baseball coach; and

4 WHEREAS, George Donohoo was an active member of the Madison
5 County Democratic Party; he served as Democratic Committeeman
6 in Wood River from 1960 to 1996, Wood River Township Democratic
7 Chairman from 1970 to 1996, executive vice-chairman of Madison
8 County Democratic Control Committee, member of the 49th
9 District Democratic Committee, delegate to the 1980 Democratic
10 National Convention, and multiple-time delegate at the
11 Illinois Democratic Convention; he served as trustee for Wood
12 River Township and was one of the organizing supporters for
13 Senators Paul Simon, John Sharp, and William Haine and Judge
14 Charles Romani, along with many other public servants; he was
15 honored to have known each of the Democratic governors since
16 the early 1960s; during his time as Committeeman in Wood River
17 Precinct 22, the precinct had the distinction as being one of
18 the top voting precincts in the country; he was known and
19 respected as a man who was fiercely honest and always kept his
20 word; and

21 WHEREAS, George Donohoo was preceded in death by his
22 parents and his brother, Keith Donohoo; and

23 WHEREAS, George Donohoo is survived by his wife; his son,

1 Michael Donohoo; his brother, Richard (Glenna) Donohoo; and his
2 several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
5 his family and friends, the passing of George W. Donohoo; and
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of George Donohoo as an expression of
9 our sympathy.