SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of George William Patterson of Waukegan, who passed away on November 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, He was the beloved owner and operator of Louie's Restaurant in Waukegan; he was born March 19, 1923 in Gargaliani, Greece the youngest son of William and Helen Patterson; and

WHEREAS, He moved to the United States at the age of 14 and learned English while attending Waukegan schools; he had a determined, strong work ethic and studied at Northwestern University; he proudly served during the Korean War, then returned to Waukegan and earned an accounting degree at Lake Forest College; and

WHEREAS, He worked at Blumberg Furniture in accounts and with David Rose as a CPA; he married his wonderful wife, Theofane (nee Couvall) 52 years ago; he taught his boys to run the family business with a simple involved, customer-friendly philosophy; he was a member of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church; and

WHEREAS, His twin older siblings Peter and Katherine
preceded him in death; and

WHEREAS, George Patterson liked to see his many returning customers; he and his wife raised 2 wonderful sons, Billy (Denise) and Tony; he loved his many sisters and brothers-in-law and numerous nieces and nephews, and former daughter-in-law, Tammy; a huge source of pride and his biggest hobby were his five grandchildren, George W., Christe, Thea, George A., and David; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with his family, friends, and customers, the passing of George Patterson; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of George Patterson as a symbol of our sincere sympathy.

