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1   SENATE RESOLUTION

2   WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to

3   learn of the death of Assaf "Tony" Trad Sr. of East Peoria, who

4   passed away on July 30, 2011; and

5   WHEREAS, He was born February 17, 1921, in Itoo, Lebanon,

6   to Antonios Khair Trad and Martha Slyman; he married Dalal

7   Younes on February 10, 1941, in Itoo; and

8   WHEREAS, He was a member of the Itoo Society of Peoria; he

9   was a member of St. Sharbel Maronite Church in Peoria and an

10 avid supporter and volunteer at the St. Sharbel Church and Food

11 Festivals; his passion was farming his land in Lebanon, and he

12 was a co-owner of a furniture store in Venezuela, South

13 America, before he moved to the United States in 1979; and

14   WHEREAS, He was the co-founder of Aleece's Pita Chips, and

15 worked at Anthony's Tavern and Fon Du Lac Park District; while

16 living in the United States, he went to each of his children's

17 homes to plant gardens; he used his hands and skills to teach

18 his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who were the joy of

19 his life, the art of gardening; and

20   WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife;

21 his sisters, Wardiah Younes and Jamela Trad; his daughter,

1   Marie Trad; his grandchildren, Cedra and Anthony Trad; and his

2   sons-in-law, Charles Anthony and Yousef Younes; and

3   WHEREAS, Assaf "Tony" Trad Sr. is survived by his sons and

4   daughters, Alice (the late Charles Anthony), Tony (Loba) Trad,

5   Leila (Abdullah Haifa), Pierre (Catherine) Trad, and Siham (the

6   late Yousef Younes); his 14 grandchildren; and his 21

7   great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

8   RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL

9   ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with

10   his family and friends, the passing of Assaf "Tony" Trad Sr.;

11   and be it further

12   RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

13   presented to the family of Assaf "Tony" Trad Sr. as a symbol of

14   our sincere sympathy.