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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply
3 saddened to learn of the death of Gerald J. Moyer of
4 Naperville, who passed away on July 5, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Gerald Moyer was born on May 22, 1935, in
6 Jeannette, Pennsylvania and grew up in Portsmouth, Virginia; he
7 graduated from Petersburg (VA) High School in 1953, where he
8 was a first-team all-state football selection his senior year;
9 he graduated from Princeton University in 1957, and earned
10 advanced degrees from the Department of Theoretical and Applied
11 Mechanics at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;
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WHEREAS, Gerald Moyer came to Chicago in 1977, to lead a
14 cooperative international research program on railroad
15 track/train dynamics managed by the Association of American
16 Railroads; and

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WHEREAS, Gerald Moyer was recognized by the American
18 Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) with their national
19 Dedicated Service Award in 1994; during his tenure at the Fox
20 Valley Section of the ASME, he gained landmark recognition for
21 a diversity of regional sites, including Fermilab's Tevatron
22 Collider; in 1999, the Alumni Association of the University of

1 Illinois honored him with its Constituent Leadership Award; and

2 WHEREAS, Gerald Moyar attended First United Methodist
3 Church in Downers Grove, where he developed a strong interest
4 and commitment to the Foundations' adult Christian education
5 program; he enjoyed communicating with his Princeton
6 classmates while serving as the religion editor for the class
7 of 1957 alumni web site; and

8 WHEREAS, Gerald Moyar enjoyed many years of service to the
9 university alumni organizations, religious institutions, and
10 professional societies to which he belonged; during the 1990's
11 he served on the board of the Chicago Engineers' Foundation,
12 Union League Club of Chicago; and

13 WHEREAS, Gerald Moyar was preceded in death by his parents,
14 George and Jessie Moyar and his sister, Priscilla; and

15 WHEREAS, Gerald Moyar was survived by his wife, Ruth; his
16 sons, James (Lynelle), Jess(Leslie), and Timothy; his 8
17 grandchildren; his sister, Susan Jane Williams (the late David
18 Williams) and his brother, George Russell Moyar (Bonnie);
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 Gerald Moyar, and we extend our sincere condolences to his
2 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Gerald Moyar as an expression of our
6 deepest sympathy.