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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of our
4 friend and former colleague, Philip W. Collins Jr. of
5 Springfield, who passed away on April 29, 2013; and

6 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. was born on June 24, 1931, in
7 Chicago; his parents were Philip and Rella Dwyer Collins; he
8 married Donna Betts on November 27, 1981, in Chicago; and

9 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. graduated from Mt. Carmel High
10 School in 1949 and received his bachelor's degree in commerce
11 from the University of Notre Dame in 1955; and

12 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. served his country with pride
13 as a member of the United States Navy; and

14 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. served in the Illinois House of
15 Representatives for 16 years until his departure in 1982; he
16 was employed as the Director of Corporate Tax Collection for
17 the Illinois Department of Revenue for 4 years and was the
18 Director of Business Services for the Secretary of State for 8
19 years; he also served on the Illinois Legislative Retirement
20 Board for 8 terms; and

1 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. was a member of Christ the King
2 Catholic Church, the Sangamo Club, the Knights of Columbus,
3 VFW, and the American Legion; and

4 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. enjoyed watching Notre Dame,
5 swimming, and golfing; and

6 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. was preceded in death by his
7 parents and his sister, Patricia O'Connor; and

8 WHEREAS, Philip Collins Jr. is survived by his wife, Donna
9 Collins; his sons, Philip W. Collins III and Gregory (Kathy)
10 Bridgwater; his daughters, Tierney (Kevin) Eson and Pamela
11 (Victor) Naskrent; his grandchildren, Ashley (Ben) Timmons,
12 Lindsay Whitten, Christopher Eson, Erin Collins, Kelsey
13 Bridgwater, Michelle Eson, Zachary Michalik, and Mackenzie
14 Collins; his great-grandchildren, Shaelynn Hoffman and Mason
15 Adams; his sister, Irene (John) Hinkamp; and his many nieces
16 and nephews; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
19 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of
20 Philip W. Collins Jr.; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Philip Collins Jr. as an expression
2 of our sympathy.