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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 Ralph L.  
4 Cox of Belleville, who passed away on August 10, 2014; and

5           WHEREAS, Ralph Cox was born on December 26, 1929 in  
6 Carterville; he married Teresa Monolo on March 15, 1952; and

7           WHEREAS, Ralph Cox served his country as a member of the  
8 United States Navy during the Korean War; and

9           WHEREAS, Ralph Cox served as an educator for 39 years, with  
10 32 of those years as school superintendent of Belle Valley  
11 School District 119; as a strong proponent of education, he  
12 also lobbied in Springfield for many educational issues; and

13           WHEREAS, Ralph Cox was a member and past president of the  
14 Belleville Rotary Club; he was president of the Illinois  
15 Retired Teachers Association, the St. Clair County School  
16 Administrators, and the St. Clair County Retired Teachers  
17 Association; he was a board member of the Illinois Association  
18 of School Administrators; he was Vice President of Hospice of  
19 Southern Illinois; he was treasurer of the St. Clair Township  
20 Lighting District; he was also a member of Belleville Elks  
21 Lodge 481, American Legion Belleville Post 58, and many other

1 civic organizations and humanitarian boards; and

2 WHEREAS, Ralph Cox enjoyed spending time with his family  
3 and friends, bowling, fishing, and his Friday night beer and  
4 fish; and

5 WHEREAS, Ralph Cox was preceded in death by his parents,  
6 Lester and Mary (nee Rushing) Cox; a sister, Pauline Brown; and  
7 2 brothers, Buster Cox and Bobby Cox; and

8 WHEREAS, Ralph Cox is survived by his wife of 62 years,  
9 Teresa (nee Monolo) Cox; 3 children, Gary Lee (Karen) Cox,  
10 Linda Sue (Scott) Pearson, and Jeffrey Allen (Krissa) Cox; 6  
11 grandchildren, Kyle Thomas (Emily) Pearson, Angela Nicole  
12 Pearson, Zachary Alexander Cox, Robert Scott Pearson, Logan  
13 Allen Cox, and Caden Maxwell Cox; 2 great-grandchildren, Thomas  
14 Cooper Pearson and James George Pearson; and many nieces and  
15 nephews; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
17 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we, along with his family and friends, mourn the passing of  
19 Ralph L. Cox; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
21 presented to the family of Ralph Cox as an expression of our

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