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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of John H. VanGeem of Gurnee, formerly of Waukegan, who passed away on April 11, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem was born on November 15, 1922, in Evanston, and was an area resident for many years; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army Air Forces as a gunner on a B-24 in the South Pacific; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem worked as a painter decorator for his entire life in the family business, which was started in 1881; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem was a member of Trinity United Lutheran Church in Waukegan, AMVETS, the Waukegan YMCA, and the Swedish Glee Club; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley; his parents, John and Lillian VanGeem; and his sisters, Jeanette, Helen, Ruth, and Lillian; and

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WHEREAS, John VanGeem is survived by his children, Curtis

1 VanGeem, John VanGeem, and Lisa (Ken) Ruley; his
2 daughter-in-law, Barb Joynson; his grandchildren, Katie
3 VanGeem, John VanGeem, Mitchell Ruley, and Ross Ruley; and his
4 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
7 his family and friends, the passing of John H. VanGeem; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of John VanGeem as an expression of our
11 sympathy.