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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 Edward J. Layden Sr. of Hoopeston, who passed away on April 6, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. was born on May 23, 1919, in Cheneyville; his parents were Edward and Cornelia Layden; he married Jean Kinsella in September of 1947, in Bloomington; she preceded him in death on May 3, 1958; he married Eileen Green on November 26, 1959, in Hoopeston; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. graduated from John Greer High School in 1937; he subsequently attended the University of Notre Dame and the University of Wisconsin at Madison; he was a proud member of the Notre Dame Alumni Association and a lifetime member of the University of Wisconsin Alumni Association; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. served his country with pride as a member of the United States Army; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. had farmed for his entire life until his retirement in 2004; he served on the Hoopeston Area School Board from 1964 to 1973; he served on the DACC Board of Directors from 1976 to 1989 and the DACC Foundation Board from

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1 1990 to 2000; he was also inducted into the DACC Athletic Hall  
2 Of Fame in 2008 and was recognized as a Founder of DACC in  
3 2011; and

4 WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. was a lifelong member of St.  
5 Anthony Catholic Church, where he had served as a trustee and  
6 also served on the Parish Council; he was also a 4th Degree  
7 member of the Knights of Columbus; and

8 WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. enjoyed reading about history,  
9 with a particular interest in his grandfather's participation  
10 in the Civil War; he was also an avid sports enthusiast with a  
11 great passion for Notre Dame; and

12 WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. was preceded in death by his  
13 parents; his brothers, Tom and Paul; his sister, Marie Ellen  
14 McKean; his son, Michael; and his 2 grandchildren; and

15 WHEREAS, Edward Layden Sr. is surviving by his wife,  
16 Eileen; his children, Edward J. (Yvonne) Layden Jr., Tade (Sue)  
17 Layden, Mary Kay (James) Brown, Margaret (Dr. Alan) Brewer,  
18 Colleen Layden, Abby (Mark) Linesch, Patrick Layden, and Molly  
19 (Eric) Miller; his daughter-in-law, Barbara Layden; his 24  
20 grandchildren; his 16 great-grandchildren; his brother,  
21 Richard P. Layden; and his sisters, Ruth Marie Carter, Agnes  
22 (Dr. David) Davis, and Patricia (Leonard) Newman; therefore, be

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2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
4 his family and friends, the passing of Edward J. Layden Sr. ;  
5 and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the family of Edward Layden Sr. as an expression  
8 of our sympathy.