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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 Raymond "Ray" Severs Sr., who passed away on June 5, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. was born on June 9, 1925; his parents were Hubert Leon and Lillian Severs; he married June Audrey Morheiser on November 3, 1951, in Fox Lake; and

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WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. was veteran of the United States Marine Corps; he left high school to serve his country during World War II and was stationed in Okinawa and Japan; after completing his military service, he returned to finish high school, graduating from Grant High School with the class of 1947; and

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WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. worked at Fort Sheridan as a diesel mechanic before enjoying a 44-year career as a locomotive engineer for the Milwaukee Road; and

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WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. was a member of St. Peter Catholic Church in Spring Grove, American Legion Post 703 in Fox Lake, and the Spring Grove Volunteer Fire Department for many years; and

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1 WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. enjoyed spending time with his
2 family and his rottweilers, cooking, and using his CB radio;
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4 WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. was preceded in death by his wife,
5 June; his parents; his grandson, Aaron Lee Curboy Jr.; his
6 brothers, Hubert Severs, Donald Severs, and Robert Severs; and
7 his sister, Mary Lou Thennes; and

8 WHEREAS, John Severs Sr. is survived by his children, John
9 (Gena) Severs and Judith Ann Severs (Soland); his
10 grandchildren, Brandi (Chas Ashton) Severs, Kenneth (Desiree)
11 Severs, Joshua Soland, Jeremy Soland, Jennifer Soland, and
12 Joseph Soland; his great-grandchildren, Kadin and Kirin
13 Severs; and his sister, Lorena "Teenie" Wegener; therefore, be
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15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
17 his family and friends, the passing of John Raymond "Ray"
18 Severs Sr.; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of John Severs Sr. as an expression of
21 our sympathy.