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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 Rudolph "Rudy" J. Papa, who passed away on August 28, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa was born on September 1, 1936 in Madison; his parents were John and Helen (nee Zarr) Papa; he married Jacqueline Kintzele on September 14, 1957; and

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WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa worked at the Bethalto School District for 33 years and it was important to him to be known as an educator; he loved each and every one of his students and could remember their names long after they left his classroom; and

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WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa served the Village of Bethalto as a board member for 12 years; he was elected to the Madison County Board in 1982 and served until he retired from public office in 2001; he was elected by his fellow board members to serve as county board chairman in 1996; and

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WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa was a member of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church; he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, where he was a 3rd Degree Knight and had been a past Grand Knight; he was also a member of the Illinois Education

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1 Association and the National Education Association; and

2 WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa served on the State of Illinois
3 Community College Board; he was the curator of the Bethalto
4 Museum; he served as Wood River Township Highway Commissioner
5 and as a precinct committeeman; he also served as a baseball
6 coach; and

7 WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa enjoyed history, golf, playing his
8 harmonica, his swimming pool, walking his dog, flowers,
9 butterflies, all local sports, music, dancing, and spending
10 time with his grandbabies and granddogs; and

11 WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa was preceded in death by his parents
12 and 5 brothers, Bob, George, Frank, Bill, and Joe; and

13 WHEREAS, Rudolph Papa is survived by his wife, Jacqueline;
14 5 daughters and their spouses, Diana Williams, Jill (Brad)
15 Sauls, JoEllyn (Kent) Patterson, Beth Papa, and Mary (Oscar
16 Nuncio) Papa; 7 grandchildren and their spouses, Ashley (Eric)
17 Anderson, Paige Williams, Jim and Joe Sauls, Ben and Andrew
18 Patterson, and Bailee Tanney; 2 brothers and their spouses,
19 John (Louise) Papa and Larry (Sue) Papa; and many nieces and
20 nephews; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
2 family and friends, mourn the passing of Rudolph "Rudy" J.
3 Papa; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Rudolph Papa as an expression of our
6 sympathy.