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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representative are saddened to learn of the death of Leslie 4 Clyde Robertson of Creal Springs, who passed away on January 5 12, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson was born outside of Creal Springs on February 3, 1922 to Jesse and Alla (nee Kelly) Robertson; he attended Southern Illinois Normal University; at the age of 19, he began teaching 7th and 8th grades at Creal Springs School, where he also coached basketball; his teaching career was delayed when he was was drafted into the United States Army in November of 1942; he served in Burma, India, and China as a cryptographer with the rank of Staff Sergeant; he was discharged following the end of World War II and married Waneida Davis in June of 1946 in Wasson Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson returned to Creal Springs following the war and began teaching agricultural night classes to veterans; he then became a rural letter mail carrier in Creal Springs; he served for 36 years and was recognized for driving one million miles on his mail route without an accident; along with his brother, he started the Robinwood development at Lake of Egypt; and

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- WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson served 2 terms on the Marion
- 2 Community Unit School District #2 Board; he served many years
- 3 on the Creal Springs city board and the park board, and was
- 4 instrumental in starting the Wonder Water Reunion and parade;
- 5 in 1996, an annual award was established in his honor named
- 6 "The Clyde Robertson Community Service Award"; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson was the first commander of the
- 8 Veterans of Foreign Wars in Creal Springs; he was a member of
- 9 Creal Springs United Methodist Church, where he was a Sunday
- 10 school teacher, superintendent, church board member, choir
- 11 leader, Bible study teacher, and building fund treasurer; he
- 12 took part in the church's Christmas plays and was eager to
- volunteer for any task; he had 61 years of perfect Sunday
- school attendance; he enjoyed gardening, traveling, hunting,
- talking with others, and spending time with his grandchildren;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson was preceded in death by his wife
- of 61 years, Waneida; his son, Tom; his daughter, Diana Kay;
- 19 his brothers, Paul and Bill; and his sisters, Afton Baker,
- 20 Imogene Hilliard, and Marie Baysinger; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Clyde Robertson is survived by his son, Dan
- 22 (Terrie) Robertson; his 3 grandchildren, Demita, Brent, and
- 23 Heather Robertson; his 2 brothers, Jim Robertson and Earl

- 1 Robertson; and his daughter-in-law, Kathy Hearn; therefore, be
- 2 it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 5 mourn the passing of Leslie Clyde Robertson, and extend our
- 6 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
- 7 and loved him; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the family of Clyde Robertson as an expression of
- 10 our deepest sympathy.