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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 former State Senator Claude U. "Bud" Stone, Jr. of Morton, who passed away on December 29, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Sen. Stone was born in Peoria on April 30, 1926 to Claude U. and Alma Marie (nee Poppen) Stone; he attended White Grade School and Peoria High School and received his bachelor's degrees from Cornell University and Bradley University; he received his master's degree in business administration from Stanford University; he married Mary L. Thomas on March 14, 1953 in Roanoke; and

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WHEREAS, Sen. Stone worked for Caterpillar, Inc. for 33 years, holding management positions in pricing, advertising, sales development, and marketing, all within the Engine Division; he retired in 1985; and

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WHEREAS, Sen. Stone served as an Illinois State Senator in the 92nd General Assembly, representing the 45th Senate District; and

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WHEREAS, Sen. Stone was actively involved in many organizations and committees; he was a Republican Precinct Committeeman since 1956 in Peoria and Tazewell counties; he was

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1 active with Illinois young-Republican organizations and the
2 Republican Party; he also served as Assistant Secretary of the
3 Peoria County Republican Organization, as Vice-President of
4 the City of Peoria Republican Organization, and as Chairman of
5 the Tazewell County Republican Central Committee; in 1996, he
6 shared the Tazewell County GOP Man of the Year award; he was a
7 member of the Morton Planning Commission for 30 years and he
8 was a founding and 26-year member of the Land Use Advisory
9 Committee for the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission;
10 prior to his service to Morton, he served on the Peoria
11 Planning and Zoning Commission; his greatest length of tenure
12 was being a member of the Illinois State Archeological Society
13 for over 62 years; and

14 WHEREAS, Sen. Stone was preceded in death by his wife,
15 Mary, and his sister, Sheila Day; and

16 WHEREAS, Sen. Stone is survived by his 2 daughters, Sandra
17 E. (James) Ludwig and Karen M. (Michael) McEntire; his son,
18 Thomas L. Stone; his 6 grandchildren; his 5
19 great-grandchildren; and his stepsister, Joann Feucht;
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
23 former State Senator Claude U. "Bud" Stone, Jr., and extend our

1 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
2 and loved him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Sen. Stone as an expression of our
5 deepest sympathy.