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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Robert Barnett, Jr. of Waukegan, who 4 passed away on January 24, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Robert Barnett, Jr. was born on November 19, 1947 6 to Robert, Sr. and Anita (nee Nuding) Barnett; he attended St. 7 Joseph's school and parish and graduated from Waukegan Township 8 High School in 1965, proudly bearing ROTC honors; he earned a 9 degree in psychology from Marquette University in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Robert Barnett, Jr. returned to Waukegan to work for Matthews employment as a placement counselor; he retired from Zion Benton Township High School in June of 2014 after 13 years of service as a paraprofessional; and

WHEREAS, Robert Barnett, Jr. will be remembered for his spirited civic participation, from legendary letters to the editor of the News Sun regarding any manner of Waukegan business, to his involvement with Knights of Columbus #731, Scoop the Loop, and the rebirth of the Genesee Theatre; he was a devoted member of a community of parents at Immaculate Conception school and parish; and

WHEREAS, Robert Barnett, Jr. was preceded in death by his

- 1 parents and his infant brother, Kenneth; and
- WHEREAS, Robert Barnett, Jr. is survived by his 3 children,
- 3 Keith (Danielle) Barnett, Ryan Barnett, and Kristen Barnett and
- 4 their mother, Gail Driscoll; his 5 grandchildren, Mason,
- 5 Finley, and Graham Barnett (Keith & Danielle) and Nora and
- 6 Reese Barnett (Ryan); and his dear friends, Lynette Fuerst and
- 7 Sandy Pokett; therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 10 Robert Barnett, Jr., and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 11 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 12 further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Robert Barnett, Jr. as an expression
- of our deepest sympathy.