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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 George W. Hauth, Jr. of Marshfield, Missouri, who passed away on May 5, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, George Hauth, Jr. was born in Waukegan on July 14, 1925 to George W. and Eugenia Hauth; he attended school at South School in North Chicago and graduated from Waukegan High School; and

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WHEREAS, On October 4, 1943, George Hauth, Jr. enlisted in the United States Navy; he did his boot camp at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center before being transferred to the Fleet Record Office in San Francisco, California; he served aboard the USS General U.L. Scott and the USS Tularont in Crypto, the Fleet Record Office in New Caledonia, Secret Publications in New Caledonia, and the USS Warrick AKA 89 in Crypto; he received an Honorable Discharge as a Seaman First Class on April 13, 1946; during his service in the Navy during World War II, he received the Point System Medal, the Victory Medal, the American Area Campaign Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Area Campaign Medal, the Philippine Liberation Medal, and the Navy Occupation Service Medal; and

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WHEREAS, After his discharge from the Navy, George Hauth,

1 Jr. returned to Bell & Gossett Co. in Morton Grove as assistant  
2 foreman before venturing on his own to become a very successful  
3 business man; in 1952, he founded an arcade business, "Fun Land  
4 Arcade", in Great Lakes; a nightclub, "Two Two Lounge", in  
5 North Chicago; and a concession, "Helen's White Hat", at the  
6 North Western RR Station, Great Lakes; he was also a co-owner  
7 with his brother, Le Roy, of the "Friendly Tavern" in North  
8 Chicago; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1966, George Hauth, Jr. relocated to Southern  
10 California with his family; in 1967, he became co-owner of  
11 Ceramic Form Grinding, doing work on the Minuteman Missile  
12 computer programs; in 1969, the business was sold to North  
13 American Rockwell, and, in 1970, he became founder and owner of  
14 Gem-Tec, Inc. in La Habra, California; at Gem-Tec, he  
15 manufactured computer components and guidance systems for the  
16 Minuteman IV, the Sperro Missile, the Patriot Missile, the  
17 Space Shuttle, and submarines and he manufactured various other  
18 computer peripheral for commercial use; he was recognized for  
19 his exceptional work on the Minuteman missile Program and was  
20 awarded entry into the Smithsonian Institute; in 1998, he  
21 retired and sold Gem-Tec, Inc.; in 2004, he moved to  
22 Marshfield, Missouri with his family; and

23 WHEREAS, George Hauth, Jr. was the first life member of the  
24 Masonic Lodge in Illinois; a member of Santa Ana Scottish

1 Rites; a member at El Bekal Temple, Valencia Shrine in Anaheim,  
2 California; a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in  
3 North Chicago; and a member of the Lions Club, the Elks Club,  
4 and The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels; he was an avid  
5 pool player, golfer, bowler, photographer, videographer, and  
6 wood smith and loved traveling in his motor home; and

7 WHEREAS, George Hauth, Jr. was preceded in death by his  
8 parents; his sister, Doris Foster; and his brothers, Arthur, Le  
9 Roy, and Eugene Hauth; and

10 WHEREAS, George Hauth, Jr. is survived by his wife of 49  
11 years, Glenda (Casey); his 5 daughters, Ginger Farrens and her  
12 husband, Wayne, Cheryl Reigner and her husband, Charles, Diane  
13 Sepanski and her husband, Dave, Jacqueline Freeze and her  
14 husband, Pat, and Melissa Rome and her husband, Paul; her 3  
15 granddaughters, Kelsey Payne, Rachel Reese, and Sarah Freeze;  
16 her 2 grandsons, Jeremy and Justin Sepanski; and numerous  
17 nieces, nephews, and many friends; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
20 George W. Hauth, Jr., and extend our sincere condolences to his  
21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
22 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of George Hauth, Jr. as an expression  
3 of our deepest sympathy.