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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 Richard F. Curran, who passed away on June 18, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Curran was born on March 25, 1927 in Dixon; his parents were Harold and Anne (nee Fielding) Curran; he was a longtime resident of the Joliet area and formerly lived in Dixon, Sterling, Freeport, and Plainfield; he and his wife also enjoyed 20 years of retirement wintering in Siesta Key, Florida; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Curran served his country as a member of the United States Navy during World War II and the Korean War; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Curran graduated from Aquin High School in 1944 and attended Loras College; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Curran served as President of the Will County Municipal League; he considered being one of the active participants in the development of Interstate 355 Veterans Parkway connecting Interstate 55 and Interstate 80 to be among his greatest accomplishments; he was a founding member of the West Jefferson Business Association; he also served as a Joliet

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1 City Councilman from 1963 to 1971 and a member of the District
2 86 Board of Education from 1955 to 1961, serving as the Board's
3 President from 1958 to 1961; and

4 WHEREAS, Richard Curran was an active member of the
5 Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus, where he served as head
6 usher for many years; he was also a member of the Joliet Rotary
7 Club for over 30 years; and

8 WHEREAS, Richard Curran was preceded in death by his
9 parents and a brother, Dr. Eugene (Germaine) Curran; and

10 WHEREAS, Richard Curran is survived by his beloved wife,
11 Priscilla (nee McKewan) Curran; 4 children, Kathleen (James)
12 Schlessler, Michael (Colleen) Curran, Jane (William) Purpura,
13 and Timothy Curran; 8 grandchildren, Jay Schlessler, Katy Law,
14 Andrew Schlessler, Steve Schlessler, John Curran, Daniel Curran,
15 Kelly Curran, and Patti Purpura; 5 great-grandchildren; a
16 sister, Julianne "Julie" (the late John) Heilman; and many
17 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
20 family and friends, mourn the passing of Richard F. Curran; and
21 be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Richard Curran as an expression of
3 our sympathy.