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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 Dr. Robert D. Webb of Mattoon, who passed away on October 5, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Webb was born in Waggoner on April 1, 1928 to Walter and Juanita Webb; he received his Bachelor of Science from Illinois State University and his Master of Administration and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois; he married Lourdine Armitage on June 17, 1950 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Springfield; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Webb began his educational career as an administrator in Harvel and Raymond, becoming Superintendent of Schools for the Shelbyville School District and the Panhandle School District; he was one of the founders of Lake Land College in Mattoon, serving as Vice-President from 1967 to 1972 and as President from 1979 to 1984; he served as Vice-President and Chairman of the Board for Johnston Super Markets, Inc. in Shelbyville from 1984 to 2000; most recently, he was Vice-Chairman of the Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Webb was an avid runner, golfer, painter, master gardener, and community leader; he served as Chairman

1 and a member of the Coles County Board, Chairman of the Coles  
2 County Democratic Party, President of the Mattoon Chamber of  
3 Commerce, founding member and Chairman of the East Central  
4 Illinois Development Commission, a member of the Sarah Bush  
5 Lincoln Health Center Board, a member of the Coles Together  
6 Board, and a member and past President of the Shelbyville and  
7 Mattoon Rotary clubs; in 2005, he and his wife were selected as  
8 International Scholars by Rotary International; together they  
9 went to Thailand, where he served as a visiting professor at  
10 the University of Chiang Mai; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Webb was preceded in death by his parents and  
12 his brothers, Roger and Don; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Webb is survived by his wife, Lourdine; his  
14 children, Linda Culberson and Robert, Jr.; his 4  
15 granddaughters, Elizabeth (Alan) Pickerill, Melissa (Jack)  
16 Peavler, Antonia Webb, and Alexandra Webb; his 3  
17 great-grandchildren, Katherine and Jack Pickerill and Ryne  
18 Peavler; and his brothers, Bruce and Lynn; therefore, be it

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

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