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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 N. "Dick" Gage of Rock Island, who passed away on October 26, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Gage was born on April 25, 1923 in Ute, Iowa; his parents were Robert Dinsmore Gage and Edith Grieser Gage; he married Gladys L. Cutsinger on August 17, 1946 in Sheldon, Iowa; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Gage graduated from Wilson High School in Cherokee, Iowa; he later attended Sheldon Junior College and graduated from the University of Iowa; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Gage served as a journalist for 21 years at the WHBF radio and television stations, where he served as assistant news director and editorialist; he also served as public affairs director and conducted the discussion program, At Issue, for the WHBF television station; he earlier worked as a reporter and political columnist for the Rock Island Argus and editor of The Target, the newspaper of the United States Army Weapons Command at Rock Island Arsenal; in the early days of television, he wrote a column for TV Guide; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Gage was president of the National

1 Broadcast Editorial Association and secretary of the First
2 Amendment Congress; he served as a volunteer associate for
3 Pathway Hospice; he was also a member and secretary of the
4 essay organization, Contemporary Club; and

5 WHEREAS, Richard Gage served as a pilot with the United
6 States Army Air Forces with the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy
7 during World War II; and

8 WHEREAS, Richard Gage was preceded in death by his parents;
9 his wife, Gladys; and his brother, Robert Dinsmore Gage, Jr.;
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11 WHEREAS, Richard Gage is survived by his son, Douglas; his
12 daughters, Suzann (Jeanette Kangas), Rebecca (Mark)
13 Montgomery, and Laura (James) Daab; and his granddaughters,
14 Jane Stout and Emily Stout; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
17 family and friends, mourn the passing of Richard N. "Dick"
18 Gage; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Richard Gage as an expression of our
21 sympathy.