

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 express their sincere condolences to the family and friends
4 of Lawrence Marion McDonald, who passed away on July 28,
5 2001; and

6 WHEREAS, Lawrence Marion McDonald was born on November 4,
7 1944 to Lawrence D. MacDonald and Mary Frances Curry McDonald
8 of East St. Louis; he attended Franklin Elementary School,
9 Hughes-Quinn Junior High School, and graduated in the early
10 1960s from Lincoln Senior High School, where he participated
11 in the Glee Club; and

12 WHEREAS, After high school, Lawrence, or "Red", as his
13 family nicknamed him, joined the United States Navy, where he
14 became a hospital corpsman and later a pharmacy technician
15 and served as the pharmacist of the U.S.S. Randolph, a Navy
16 Aircraft Carrier; while stationed at Pensacola, Florida, he
17 met and married the former Beverly J. McCorvey on December
18 19, 1964; and

19 WHEREAS, Honorably discharged from the Navy, Mr. McDonald
20 enrolled at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and later
21 Belleville Area College; he worked as a technical service
22 engineer and a maintenance audit project manager for 27 years
23 at the Carboline Company, where he represented the company
24 throughout the United States and other lands such as New
25 Zealand, South America, St. Croix, St. Thomas, and Puerto
26 Rico; downsized by the Carboline Company in 1999, he took an
27 inspector position with the Terminix Company; and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. McDonald, who was known for his angelic
29 voice, gourmet cooking style, and exciting personality, was a
30 faithful member of St. Paul Baptist Church, where he
31 delivered "The Ways of the World" before the congregation in
32 April of 2001; he was also a member of the Men's Chorus, the

1 Men's Fellowship, and the Trustee Board; and

2 WHEREAS, The memory of Lawrence Marion McDonald will be
3 cherished by all who knew him, especially his wife, Beverly
4 J. McDonald; his sons, Ryan D.(Mary) McDonald and Keleey M.
5 (Lucinda) McDonald; his daughters, Lauren F. Alexander and
6 Ivy K. (Phillip) Leatherman; his grandsons, Waymon, Laurence,
7 Montrell, Ryan, and Kaleb; his grandmother, Ethel Curry; his
8 aunts, Geneva (Wesley) Momon, Leanna (Jonnie) German, Shirley
9 (Herschel) Garrett, and Dorothy Brooks; his sister-in-law,
10 Thomasene McCorvey; his brother-in-law. Uralee McCorvey, Jr.;
11 and his nieces and nephews, cousins, and many friends;
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
15 all who knew him, the death of Lawrence Marion McDonald of
16 East St. Louis, Illinois; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Lawrence Marion McDonald with our
19 sincere condolences.