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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Harry A.
4 Volant of Ladd, who passed away on October 7, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, Harry Volant was born in Ladd to Harry Sr. and
6 Lena (Ferrerro) Volant on November 6, 1924; he attended Ladd
7 Grade School and Hall High School; he served as a sergeant in
8 the U.S. Army during World War II from 1943 to 1945; he served
9 in Africa, Italy, Germany, and France and received the Bronze
10 Battle Star, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Purple Heart in
11 1944; he married Yvonne Granfield at St. Benedict Church in
12 Ladd on January 31, 1948; and

13 WHEREAS, Harry Volant worked as a foreman and assistant
14 chemist at the Illinois Industrial Rubber Co. in Ladd from 1948
15 to 1961; he was an inspector for the Department of Agriculture
16 for the State of Illinois from 1961 to 1965; he worked for the
17 Department of Revenue for the State of Illinois from 1965 until
18 retiring in 1989; and

19 WHEREAS, Harry Volant served with the Ladd Fire Department;
20 he was a player and manager for the Ladd Merchants baseball
21 team from 1946 to 1959; he was a member of St. Benedict Church,
22 American Legion Post #936, and the Loyal Order of the Moose; he

1 served 14 years on the Bureau County Board and on the Hall
2 Township High School Board from 1966 to 1980; he was a Ladd
3 alderman for six years and mayor of Ladd from 1965 to 1997; and

4 WHEREAS, Harry Volant had a passion for cooking, gardening,
5 and sports; he was an avid fan of the Chicago Cubs; he was
6 known for his dedication to his family and his love for the
7 Village of Ladd; and

8 WHEREAS, Harry Volant was preceded in death by his parents
9 and his sisters, Corrine and Sara Volant; and

10 WHEREAS, Harry Volant is survived by his wife of 70 years,
11 Yvonne; his children, Teryl (Bob) Destri, Keith (Grace) Volant,
12 Kevin (Kellie) Volant, Nanette (Paul) Crawford, and Melissa
13 (Shawn Bowen) Shrier; nine grandchildren; four
14 great-grandchildren; his brother, Raymond Volant; his sister,
15 Barbara Lucas; and his special caregivers, Karen Sterchi and
16 Mary Renkosik; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
18 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 mourn the passing of Harry A. Volant and extend our sincere
20 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
21 him; and be it further

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