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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Harold E. Rich of Glen Carbon, who passed 4 away on February 15, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Harold Rich was born in Carbondale to Edgar and 6 Mona Mearle (Johnson) Rich on May 16, 1922; he served as a 7 Sergeant with the United States Army Engineers from 1943 to 8 1945; he married Marilyn Nadine Calvin on September 13, 1945; 9 and

10 WHEREAS, Harold Rich worked for the Illinois Central 11 Railroad as a brakeman from 1942 to 1946; he worked as an 12 operating engineer at Shell Oil Company from 1947 to 1962; and

WHEREAS, Harold Rich received his master's degree from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, specializing in education and media and embarked on a new career; he was a teacher in the audio visual department at Roxana Junior/Senior High School from 1964 to 1975; from 1975 to 1976, he was a media specialist at Lewis and Clark Community College; from 1977 to 1999, he was a self-employed home builder; and

WHEREAS, Harold Rich was an active member of St. John's United Methodist Church in Edwardsville, where he served on the

- 1 Board of Trustees and assisted in mission projects; he served
- 2 on committees for the Operating Engineers Union and the
- 3 Illinois Retired Teachers Association; he was a life member of
- 4 the National and Illinois Education Associations and was a
- 5 Southern Illinois University Alumni; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Harold Rich was preceded in death by his parents;
- 7 his wife, Marilyn; and his brother, Glenn; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Harold Rich is survived by his son, Mark Rich (Pam
- 9 Neuenschwander); his daughter, Leanne (Pat) Jones; his
- 10 grandchildren, Craig and Michelle Rich; his
- 11 great-grandchildren, Calvin and Amelia; his sister-in-law,
- Dolores Rich; his nieces, Linda Swinford, Diana Cain, and
- 13 Sherri McAnerny; and his nephews, Steve, Tim, and Terry;
- 14 therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 17 Harold E. Rich, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 18 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 19 further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 21 presented to the family of Harold Rich as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.