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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 John Joseph Case of Naperville, who passed away on June 29, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, John Case was born in Lisle Township to John Peter and Esther M. (Penfold) Case on May 8, 1930; after his family moved from York Center to a farm in Naperville, he transferred from St. Joan of Arc School to Saints Peter and Paul School; he graduated from Naperville High School in 1948, where he held a track record for running the mile which was not broken for decades; he graduated from Iowa State University in 1952, where he was captain of the track and cross country teams and ran a 4:11 mile on cinders; he was a member of the Sigma Nu Fraternity; he married Joyce Burg at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic church in Naperville on May 30, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, John Case served as a communications officer in the United States Air Force during the Korean War from 1952 to 1953; he was a member of the Air National Guard Communication Squadron until he retired as a major in 1978; and

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WHEREAS, John Case worked for the PAG agriculture business until its closing in the 1960s; he then bought the plant and started Agrinetics which specialized in the production of

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1 hybrid seed corn; his business employed thousands of young
2 people in Naperville with detasseling and roguing summer jobs;
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4 WHEREAS, John Case served in many charitable and civic
5 capacities, including Republican Precinct Committeeman, Lisle
6 Township Supervisor, temporary chairman of DuPage County,
7 DuPage County Forest Preserve President, Benet Academy School
8 Board President, Bank of Sugar Grove President, North Central
9 College Board of Directors, PACE Chairman and board president
10 and Knights of Columbus member; he also served on the Saints
11 Peter and Paul Parish Council and School Board and was an usher
12 for many years; he never missed a question from Trivial Pursuit
13 in the history, geography, or political science categories; and

14 WHEREAS, John Case was preceded in death by his parents and
15 his siblings, Jean, Carol, Joseph, Donald, Joan, Lois, Jane
16 Koller, and Constance Lally; and

17 WHEREAS, John Case is survived by his wife, Joyce; his
18 children, John Peter (Rose), Sara (Guy) Tenini, Kathryn (Clyde)
19 Shields, Matthew Paul (Angie), and Marilyn (Mike) Gallagher; 14
20 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and
21 nephews; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 John Joseph Case, and extend our sincere condolences to his
3 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of John Case as an expression of our
7 deepest sympathy.