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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Angelo James "Al" Provenzano of Oak Park, 4 who passed away on March 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Al Provenzano was born in Melrose Park to Gaspero and Maria Provenzano, who immigrated from Lappano in the Calabria region of Italy, on February 29, Leap Year Day, 1920; he attended Melrose Park Grade School and Proviso Township High School; he later became a longtime resident of Oak Park and a dedicated member of his church; he married Blanche "Bunny" Kmet in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Al Provenzano was working for the Charles Bruning Company in Chicago when he was drafted into the United States Army; he completed basic training at Camp Robinson, Arkansas and advanced infantry training at Camp Polk, Louisiana; he served during World War II and was a platoon sergeant responsible for shepherding his men across Europe from Omaha Beach to the brink of Berlin on D-Day, June 6, 1944; he was awarded the Purple Heart and five Battle Stars; and

WHEREAS, Al Provenzano was the co-owner of two businesses,
Tru-Pal Pet Supplies and Dan-Al Tool and Die Company; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Al Provenzano loved marching in parades and 2 occasionally visiting Hines V.A. Hospital to sing to the 3 veterans; he was known for entertaining everyone with stories 4 and songs he drew from his memory; he was adored by his next door neighbors of 32 years and enjoyed meeting his friends for 6 breakfast and lunch and spending time at the Onion Roll
- 8 WHEREAS, Al Provenzano was preceded in death by his wife, 9 Bunny; his brothers, Frank and Casper; and his sisters, Rose 10 Aiuppa, Theresa Carpino, Helen Tantillo, and Josephine 11 Karkula; and

restaurant; he was a caring friend to many; and

- 12 WHEREAS, Al Provenzano is survived by his sisters, Florence
  13 Tantillo and Jeanne Holder; his sister-in-law, Muriel
  14 Provenzano; and his nieces and nephews and their many children
  15 and grandchildren; therefore, be it
  - RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Angelo James "Al" Provenzano and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 22 presented to the family of Al Provenzano as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.