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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Donald E. "Don" Cryer of Annawan, 4 formerly of Hooppole, who passed away on July 18, 2023; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Don Cryer was born to Henry and Ella (DeSplinter)
 6 Cryer in Thomas on July 17, 1927; he graduated from Hooppole
 7 High School in 1945; he served in the U.S. Navy, receiving the
 8 rank of seaman first class; he married Rita Croegaert on June
 9 10, 1950; and
- WHEREAS, Don Cryer farmed in rural Hooppole for over 20 years and worked at Hooppole Lumber and Grain for 20 years before retiring; after retirement, he began working at a local farm into his 80s; and
- WHEREAS, Don Cryer was a life member of St. Mary's
 Catholic Church in Hooppole and the Hooppole American Legion;
 and
- WHEREAS, Don Cryer enjoyed golfing, playing cards, mowing his lawn, listening to country music, and eating sweets, especially pie; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Don Cryer was preceded in death by his parents;

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- 1 his wife of 64 years, Rita Cryer; his sisters, Elma Bruder and
- 2 Pearl Heitzler; and his son-in-law, Ron DeFauw; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Don Cryer is survived by his children, Jeff
- 4 Cryer, Jason (Amanda) Cryer, Debbie Cryer, Christie (Jeff)
- 5 Brown, Brenda Cryer, and Julie DeFauw; his grandchildren, Cory
- 6 (Kaitlynn Francois) Brown, Kari (Jessica) Curtner, Ryan
- 7 (Rachel) DeFauw, Kyle DeFauw, Ella Cryer, and Preston Cryer;
- 8 and his great-grandson, Easten Brown; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 11 Donald E. "Don" Cryer and extend our sincere condolences to
- 12 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Don Cryer as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.