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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Ralph F. Coomes of Moline, who passed 4 away on February 3, 2024; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes was born to John and Fannie 6 (Ridenour) Coomes in Evansville, Indiana on July 7, 1925; he 7 served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945; he graduated from 8 Bosse High School in Evansville in 1946; he married Lucille 9 Lawson in Litchfield on June 21, 1948, and she preceded him in 10 death in 2005 after 57 years of marriage; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes was a salesman for Newberry's, 12 Goodyear, and then Reflex Fitness Products in Milan, retiring 13 in 2013; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes was a member of Grace Bible 15 Fellowship, VFW Post 2153, and the Friends Circle Club, 16 Moline; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes was proud to attend an Honor Flight 18 in 2010; he was an avid fan of the Chicago Cubs; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes was preceded in death by his 20 parents; his daughter, Karen Woods; his grandson, Steven

- 1 Woods; and his great-grandson, Nathan Woods; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Ralph Coomes is survived by his children, Diane
- 3 (Craig) Askam and Dave (Elaine) Coomes; his grandchildren,
- 4 George (Chanda) Woods, Chris (Mark) Wilson, Heather (Mark)
- 5 Johnson, Jody (Steven) Kern, Tim (Jodie) Askam, Kim (Ryan)
- 6 Woodward, and Kyle (Laura Poffenbarger James) Coomes; his
- 7 great-grandchildren, Brenon Wilson, Alex Kern, Jacob Kern,
- 8 Garret Johnson, Henry Woodward, Lucy Woodward, Owen Woodward,
- 9 Taylor (Trevor) O'Neill, Chelsey (Mike) Krocza, Kendal Gruman,
- 10 Julia DePriest, and Jarod DePriest; and his
- 11 great-great-grandchildren, Reid Krocza, Dane Krocza, Olivia
- 0'Neill, and Jackson O'Neill; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 15 Ralph F. Coomes and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 16 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to the family of Ralph Coomes as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.