

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Waid
4 Vanderpoel of Barrington on August 25, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Vanderpoel was born in Chicago's Norwood
6 Park neighborhood on the Northwest side; he graduated from
7 Schurz High School in 1939; in 1943, he obtained a business
8 and finance degree from Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Vanderpoel served as an Army corporal from
11 1943 to 1945; in 1946, he became an institutional investor at
12 First National Bank of Chicago; by the time he retired in
13 1981 he was senior vice president and chief investment
14 officer; he managed the pension funds of a number of area
15 companies, including Caterpillar Inc.; and

16 WHEREAS, After his retirement, Mr. Vanderpoel was allowed
17 to devote more time to his conservation efforts; he was an
18 advocate of open space and was instrumental in sparing a
19 large tract of land from development in the northwest
20 suburbs; he was the chief negotiator for the purchase of what
21 is now known as Flint Creek; it continued until 2000, when
22 the Barrington group purchased an adjoining 60 acres from a
23 developer; he was a member of the organization for more than
24 20 years, nearly half of that as president; and

25 WHEREAS, In April of 2002, the Flint Creek Savanna was
26 dedicated to Mr. Vanderpoel in honor of his 80th birthday;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. Vanderpoel's passing will be deeply felt by
29 many, especially his wife, Ruth; his sons, Thomas, John,
30 William, and James; his brother, Robert; and his eight
31 grandchildren; and many dear friends; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing
3 of Waid Vanderpoel along with all who knew and loved him and
4 extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and
5 be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Waid Vanderpoel as an expression
8 of our deepest sympathy.