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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of George J. Walsh of Belleville on Monday, January 19, 2004; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Walsh was born on February 1, 1923, in St. Louis, Missouri, to Joseph and Edna, nee Smith, Walsh; he married Mary Jean Sage; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Walsh valiantly served his country in the United States Marine Corps during World War II in the 4th Marine Division, where he was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Walsh served as a public relations director at IDOT, where he retired in May of 2003; he was a former tournament official for the PGA and a coach and teacher at Central Catholic High School in East St. Louis; he enjoyed bass fishing, hunting, golf, and animals, especially the family pets; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Walsh was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the VFW, the American Legion, BASS, and the St. Clair County Country Club; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of George J. Walsh has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Mary Jean, nee Sage, Walsh; his children, Kay (Gary) Vogel, Michael (Melissa) Walsh, and Margaret Walsh; his grandchildren who lovingly called him "Dubs", Jean (Michael) Wagner, Jessica and Kelly Walsh, Michael Rokos, Melanie (Brian) Donovan, Nicholas Rokos, and Daniel Murphy; his great-grandchildren, Madelyn and Michael John Wagner and Katelyn Donovan; and his extended family, Debbie and Lester Wellinghoff; he was preceded in death by his parents and his infant grandson, Michael George Walsh; therefore, be it

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

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