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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, A Jack Benny stamp would celebrate the legacy of laughter of one of the twentieth century's most legendary comedians; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Benny was known for being perennially 39 years old, a claim adopted by many of his fans; as the price of a first class stamp is now 39 cents, this is the perfect time to commemorate Mr. Benny's contribution to American culture; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Benny was active through 60 years and four eras of American entertainment, including vaudeville, motion pictures, radio, and television; his warm, gentle humor has made tens of millions laugh and continues to inspire new fans with its timelessness; he was a World War I veteran and entertained American troops overseas during World War II and the Korean War; he was recently selected as one of Variety's 100 Icons of the 20th Century and included in the Comedy Channel's top 30 comedians of all time; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee and the Postmaster General of the United States Postal Service to issue a first-class stamp bearing the likeness of Jack Benny to honor his legacy; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Ronald A. Robinson, Chairperson of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee, to the Honorable John "Jack" E. Potter, United States Postmaster General, and to Laura Leff, president of the International Jack Benny Fan Club.

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