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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 John Tonin of Waukegan, on August 31, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on July 9, 1921 in Waukegan; he served in the United States Army in the Philippines; he retired from the North Shore Gas Company in 1997 after working there for 57 years; and

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WHEREAS, He had a passion for playing 12 inch fast pitch softball, which began in 1936 as the third baseman for West School; he won two Tri-State and two Lake County Tournament Championships with his team; he formed the Waukegan Bombers in the 1950's, playing and managing the team for 10 years; he hung up his glove in 1976, and was inducted into the Waukegan Sports Hall of Fame in 1993; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of John Tonin has been deeply felt by many, especially his sister, Mary Langford; his two foster brothers, Chuck and Bobby Alcorn; his son, Thomas (Daniel) Tonin; his daughter, Barbara (Ken) Albert; his step-daughters, Doralee (Stu) and Sue Moody; his grandchildren, Joseph and Susan Tonin; his step-grandchildren, Lori (Scott) Knesley and Holly (Mark) Speckman, Gary Grogan and Tim Grogan, Tara Cottrell, Natalie Cottrell, and Vanessa Moody; his step-great-grandchildren, Melissa, Andrew, Knesley, Katie, and Kelly Speckman; he was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen (Bukass) Tonin and his second wife Ann Redmond Yore; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of John Tonin, and we extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it

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2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
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