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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of William Thompson of North Chicago, who 4 passed away on August 8, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, William Thompson was born on February 17, 1936 in 6 Charleston, Missouri; his parents were Ozzie and Leather 7 Thompson; he gave his life to Christ at an early age; and

WHEREAS, William Thompson moved to North Chicago as a child; he graduated from North Chicago Community High School in 1955, attending college at a later time; he retired from the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in North Chicago after 35 years of service; and

WHEREAS, William Thompson was dedicated to the great game of baseball; he played minor league baseball with the Cleveland Indians; he served his country in the United States Army from 1959 to 1961; he was a coach for the North Chicago Flames youth football team; he was a member of the Blue Sox Baseball Club, the Old Timer, Outcast, and the All Star Club; and he was placed in the baseball hall of fame at North Chicago Community High School; and

WHEREAS, William Thompson was preceded in death by his

- 1 parents, Ozzie and Leather; his son, William Thompson, Jr.; his
- 2 brothers, Johnny, Cleo, Tommie, Leather "Moe Toe", Robert
- 3 "Bob", and Emmitt; his sisters, Hattie Mallory, Alamtina Sims,
- 4 and Josephine Thompson; and his sisters-in-law, Cleo, Nealie,
- 5 and Mary Thompson; and
- 6 WHEREAS, William Thompson is survived by his wife, Mae; his
- 7 daughter, Anita Thompson; his granddaughter, Shardonnay
- 8 Thompson; his brother, Eugene (Anita) Thompson; his former
- 9 wife, Mary Thompson; his 4 stepsons; his 2 stepdaughters; his
- 10 13 grandchildren; his 2 great-grandchildren; his very special
- 11 niece, Elizabeth "Liz" Thompson; and a host of nephews, nieces,
- 12 cousins, and dear friends; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
- 14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- his family and friends, the passing of William Thompson; and be
- 16 it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of William Thompson as an expression of
- 19 our sympathy.