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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Gerald Fravle of Rosewood Heights, who 4 passed away on December 15, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle was born on October 22, 1919 in 6 Gillespie; his parents were Andrew and Sadie Fravle; he married 7 Winnie McCrite on December 26, 1941; and

8 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle served in the United States Army 9 from October 1941 to November 1945, and was stationed for 10 nearly three years in Iceland; and

11 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle was the owner of Jerry's Brake and 12 Alignment Service in Rosewood Heights; he was an initial member 13 of the Rosewood Heights Fire Department, where he served as a 14 volunteer for more than 40 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle was a lifetime member of VFW Post 16 2859 in Wood River; he was an active member in the Independent 17 Garage Owners Association and the Bethalto Knights of Columbus; 18 he was also one of the founding members of St. Kevin Church; 19 and

WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle loved traveling with his friends and

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2 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle was preceded in death by his 3 parents, Andrew and Sadie; his sisters, Helen Luken and 4 Marcella Leritz; and his brothers-in-law, Ralph Luken, Leonard 5 Leritz, Sam Verble, Hall McCrite, and Farrell McCrite; and

6 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle is survived by his wife, Winnie; his 7 daughters and sons-in-law, Kathy (Dr. Mike) Fuesting, Debbie 8 (Jeff) Lister, and Patti (Tom) McRae; his grandchildren, 9 Patrick McRae, Meagan McRae, Ryan Lister, Lindsey Lister, and 10 Melissa Fuesting; his sister, Julia Greise; his brother, 11 Frances "Franny" Fravle; his sisters-in-law, Rosetta Verble and Gustava "Toot" Lawrence; and his many nieces and nephews, 12 including Linda and Jim Begnel, Barb and Elmo Hinson, Ann and 13 14 George Gerl, and Robert Luken; and

15 WHEREAS, Gerald Fravle will be remembered by all who knew 16 and loved him as a loving, wonderful father, grandfather, and 17 friend, whose quick wit and ability to make people smile 18 endeared him to everyone he met; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 21 his family and friends, the passing of Gerald Fravle; and be it 22 further SR0486 -3- LRB095 15414 GRL 41406 r

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 2 presented to the family of Gerald Fravle as an expression of 3 our sympathy.