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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of F.T. "Mike" Graham of Libertyville, who passed away on December 29, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, F.T. Graham was born on September 10, 1927 in Gurnee; his parents were Thomas and Anna Graham; and

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WHEREAS, F.T. Graham graduated from Warren High School in Gurnee in 1945; he attended Blackburn College in Carlinville and Western Michigan College in Kalamazoo, Michigan; and

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WHEREAS, F.T. Graham was a salesman at Miller-Krueger Dodge in Libertyville for many years; and

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WHEREAS, F.T. Graham served as Supervisor of Libertyville Township from 1969 until 1989 and from 1997 until 2002; he was a former member of the Lake County Board, serving for 18 years; and

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WHEREAS, F.T. Graham was the founder of the first open space district in the Midwest, persuading Libertyville voters to borrow nearly \$23 million to purchase and preserve land throughout Lake County; he was widely known for his relentless pursuit for land preservation; and

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1 WHEREAS, F.T. Graham was a member of St. Joseph Parish in
2 Libertyville and the Cardinal Stritch Council of the Knights of
3 Columbus; he was also an active participant at Marytown; and

4 WHEREAS, F.T. Graham was preceded in death by his parents;
5 his brothers, Thomas Graham, Edward Graham, and Walter Graham;
6 and his sisters, Helen Victor, Elizabeth Drobnick, Mary Miller,
7 and Peggy Deuel; and

8 WHEREAS, F.T. Graham is survived by his former wife and
9 dear friend, Geri Graham (nee Yore); his children, Julie
10 (Jerry) Adzima and Michael (Karen) Graham; his grandchildren,
11 Stephanie Adzima, Graham Adzima, Kathleen Graham, Mary Graham,
12 Michael Graham, Patrick Graham, John Graham, and Bridget
13 Graham; his sister, Ann Skyrius; and his many loving nieces and
14 nephews; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
17 his family and friends, the passing of F.T. "Mike" Graham; and
18 be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of F.T. Graham as an expression of our
21 sympathy.