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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 Ernest A. Tosovsky Jr., of Edwardsville, who passed away January 18, 2008; and

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WHEREAS, Ernest A. Tosovsky Jr. was born October 31, 1921, in Edwardsville to Ernest and Mary Meek Tosovsky Sr.; and

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WHEREAS, He married Betty Faye Rohrkaste on August 29, 1946 and she passed away on September 14, 1983; he later married Virginia Lee Hermann on September 1, 1984 and she passed away on June 9, 2000; and

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WHEREAS, He was the former president and chairman of the board of Home Nursery Inc.; he was past president of the Illinois State Nurseryman Association, American Landscape Nursery Association, and Madison-Sinclair Nursery Association; he was a member of the board of directors of the Voluntary Purchasing Group, and a member of the Greater St. Louis Nursery and Landscape Association; the Voluntary Purchasing Group established an endowment fund for him with the Horticultural Research Institute; and

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WHEREAS, He was past president of the Edwardsville Rotary Club and a Paul Harris Fellow, a member of the board of

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1 directors of the Edwardsville YWCA, a member of the Illinois
2 State Florists Association, and the Edwardsville Glen Carbon
3 Chamber of Commerce; he was chairman of the Edwardsville Park
4 and Recreation Board, served on the advisory board for the Dean
5 of Agriculture at the University of Illinois, was chairman of
6 the Agricultural Nursery and Greenhouse Advisory Committee for
7 the American Farm Bureau Federation, and served on the
8 Edwardsville School Board; he was a member of St. Mary's
9 Catholic Church and St. Boniface Catholic Church in
10 Edwardsville; and

11 WHEREAS, Ernest Tosovsky Jr. was preceded in death by his
12 wives; his parents; one brother, Edward Tosovsky; and one
13 sister, Dorothy Donner; and

14 WHEREAS, Ernest Tosovsky Jr. is survived by his son,
15 Timothy Tosovsky and wife, Sherry; his stepson, Bill Hermann;
16 his daughters, Nancy Pech and husband, Gene, and Barbara Wiman
17 and husband, Fred; his stepdaughters, Janice Burklow, and Cindy
18 Hoog and husband, Ed; his grandchildren, Eric Wiman, Aaron
19 Wiman, Andrea Garner, Luke Wiman, Molly Wiman, and Amanda
20 Wiman, Danielle Pech and Michael Pech, and Tim and Taylor
21 Tosovsky; his eleven great-grandchildren; his six
22 stepgreat-grandchildren; and his brother, Charles Tosovsky and
23 wife, Jean; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
3 his family and friends, the passing of Ernest Tosovsky Jr.; and
4 be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Ernest Tosovsky Jr. as a symbol of
7 our sincere sympathy.