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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Russell
4 Arthur Goodwin Sr. of Mt. Zion, who passed away on April 26,
5 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. was born on September 26,
7 1923, in Cheyenne, Wyoming; he was the son of Clyde E. and
8 Evelynia (Hill) Goodwin; he married Mary Mann on June 7, 1958;
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10 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. served his country with pride
11 and distinction as a member of the United States Army during
12 World War II, having served with the 625th Engineers and
13 Equipment Company in the European Theatre of Operations; while
14 in the Army, he received two Bronze Stars; and

15 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. was a founder and owner of
16 Goodmar Inc. and DG Manufacturing in Mt. Zion; and

17 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. was a life member of the South
18 Macon Lodge #467 AF & AM.; he was a member of the Springfield
19 Consistory and the Ansar Shrine in Springfield; he belonged to
20 the Royal Order of Jesters and the Decatur Shrine Club; he was
21 a member in the Local #965 Operating Engineers since 1941; he

1 was a Kentucky Colonel, a Kentucky Admiral, and a Tennessee
2 Colonel; he was a member of the Mt. Zion Lions Club; he had a
3 great love of jazz music and was a member of Juvae Jazz Club,
4 having served on the club's Board of Directors; and

5 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. enjoyed working hard,
6 boating, and his train, the "Whistleville Trolley"; and

7 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. was named to President Ronald
8 Reagan's Roll of Honor and was a recipient of the City of
9 Decatur Award; he was most proud, however, of his award of
10 participation with the Boy Scouts; and

11 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. was preceded in death by his
12 daughter, Lisa Tippit, and his three brothers and two sisters;
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14 WHEREAS, Russell Goodwin Sr. is survived by his wife; his
15 son, Russell Goodwin Jr. and his wife, Patty; his daughters,
16 Barbara Ann Goodwin, Anna Marie Deaton, and Sandy Brust and her
17 husband, Peter; his son-in-law, Darwin Tippit; and his eleven
18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
21 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of

1 Russell Arthur Goodwin Sr.; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of Russell Goodwin Sr. as an expression
4 of our sympathy.