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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 Earl
4 Bryan Kirk of West Frankfort, who passed away on April 28,
5 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk was born on January 30, 1926 in West
7 Frankfort; his parents were William and Anna (Wilson) Kirk; he
8 married Eva Miskowsky on September 11, 1948; and

9 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk attended Ezra Grade School, Frankfort
10 Community High School, Southern Illinois University, and
11 Lockyear Business College in Evansville, Indiana; and

12 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk served his country with pride and
13 distinction as a member of the United States Army during World
14 War II; and

15 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk worked as a coal miner for 38 years
16 until his retirement; he worked at Old Ben 15, Freeman 3, 4,
17 and 5, and Carlsbad Potash Mine; and

18 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk was a member of the Southern Illinois
19 Center for Independent Living (Blind), the Lions Club of West
20 Frankfort, the Franklin-Williamson Human Services Board, the

1 Salvation Army board, the WF Pool Community, the American
2 Legion Post 1961 of Orient, the Illinois Council of the Blind
3 in Springfield, and the United Mine Workers of America; he was
4 also crowned Old King Coal in 2008; and

5 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk was preceded in death by his parents;
6 his sister, Daisy Gass; and his brother, Glenn Kirk; and

7 WHEREAS, Earl Kirk is survived by his wife, Eva Kirk; his
8 daughter, Debbie and her husband, Kevin Kinley; his son, George
9 Kirk; his sisters, Alma Prusaczyk, Margaret Jackson, and Karen
10 Johnson; his brother, Bill and his wife, Josie Kirk; his
11 grandsons, Tyson and his wife Melissa Moore, and Kyle Kinley;
12 his great-granddaughter, Isabel Faith Moore; and his several
13 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
16 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Earl
17 Bryan Kirk; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Earl Kirk as an expression of our
20 sympathy.