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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Wilbur Allen Meyer of Moline, who passed away on November 9, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer was born on August 1, 1926 in Washington, Iowa; he was the son of Herman and Ruby House Meyer; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer married his loving wife, Joan Connors, on January 22, 1946, in Burlington, Iowa; they celebrated a wonderful life together for over 63 years; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer answered the call of his country through his service as a Machinist Mate in the United States Navy during World War II, during which he served honorably in the Pacific Theater; he was an atomic veteran, bearing witness to the birth of the Nuclear Age with his duties aboard the U.S.S. Bladen (APA-63) during Operation Crossroads; he also served aboard the U.S.S. Elokomin (AO-55) and at Naval Air Station Attu in Alaska; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer was employed as a production manager for F.W. Means & Company of Moline for 37 years until his retirement in 1989; and

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1 WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer was an avid fisherman who enjoyed
2 fishing the waters of Illinois and Minnesota; and

3 WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer was an active member of Sacred Heart
4 Parish in Moline; and

5 WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer was preceded in death by his parents;
6 his son, Colin; his sisters, Ruth, Kate, Phyllis, Ilene,
7 Maxine, and Helen; and his brother, Charles; and

8 WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer is survived by his wife, Joan; his
9 daughter, Julie (Carter) Crile; his son, Mark (Kathy) Meyer;
10 his grandsons, Mark (Nancy) Meyer Jr. and Andrew (Kate) Meyer;
11 his sister, Sherrie (Dan) Nelson; his brother, Robert (Cy)
12 Meyer; and his many nieces and nephews; and

13 WHEREAS, Wilbur Meyer will be remembered by all who knew
14 and loved him as a loving father and husband, a veteran of
15 World War II, and a kind and hard-working member of his
16 community; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Wilbur
20 Allen Meyer; and be it further

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