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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 Kenneth Decker of East Peoria, who passed away on April 26, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker was born on January 24, 1932 in Lenoir City, Tennessee; his parents were Roy and Martha Wright Freels Decker; he married Anna M. Moke on March 25, 1960 in East Peoria; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker served with the Army National Guard from 1950 to 1959 and was called to active duty for three of those years; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker served as an East Peoria fireman for 23 years until his retirement in 1982; he later worked in animal control for the City of East Peoria until 1994; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker was a member of the Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church in East Peoria for more than 30 years; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker was preceded in death by his parents; his six brothers and their wives; his niece and nephew; his five brothers-in-law and two sisters-in-law; and

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1 his four nephews by marriage; and

2 WHEREAS, Kenneth Decker is survived by his daughter, Denise
3 (Ignacio) Alvarez; his sons, Don (Patti) Decker, Dennis (Linda)
4 Decker, and Dan (Christy) Decker; his grandsons, Chris (Jo)
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6 Decker, and Zachary and Troy Decker; his granddaughters, Kira,
7 Alicia, Amber, Allison, and Katelyn Decker; his
8 great-granddaughter, Britney; his sisters by marriage, Doris
9 (Gene) Fenwick and Betty (John) Walters; and his many nieces
10 and nephews, including Charlotte (William) Chaney and Jack
11 (Betty) Decker; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
14 his family and friends, the death of Kenneth Decker; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Kenneth Decker as an expression of
18 our sympathy.