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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 Robert Donald Grahn of Hinsdale, who passed away on August 10, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Grahn was born on October 2, 1922, in Chicago; his parents were John and Lydia Grahn; in 1956, he moved to Hinsdale with his wife, June; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating as an electrical engineer from Purdue University, Robert Grahn served his country in the United States Navy during World War II and the Korean War; after his discharge, he worked as a design engineer for the Sunbeam Corporation until his retirement in 1987; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Grahn was an active member at the Christ Lutheran Church in Clarendon Hills for more than 50 years, having served on the church's council and as an usher throughout the years; he was also an active member and past commander of the American Legion Post #250 and participated in many of the post's parades and ceremonies; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Grahn enjoyed taking vacations in Lemon Bay, Florida every year; he was well known in that area as an aficionado of music from the 1940s; he particularly enjoyed

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1 Glen Miller's "Moonlight Serenade", to which he and June loved
2 to dance as they did during their high school days at Bowen
3 High School; and

4 WHEREAS, Robert Grahm is survived by his wife of 60 years,
5 June; his beloved sons, Daniel, Michael, Thomas (David), and
6 James (Mary Kay); his sister, Dorothy; his sister-in-law,
7 Rainey (Ron) Spiller; his nephews, Glenn (Patty) Spiller and
8 John Lorenz; his niece, Sue Lorenz; his great-nephews, Chris
9 (Heather) Lorenz and Scott (Gina) Lorenz; and his friend, Luke
10 Morton; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
13 his family and friends, the passing of Robert Donald Grahm; and
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Robert Grahm as an expression of our
17 sympathy.