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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of John Eugene Fry of Naperville, who passed away on May 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, John Fry was a lifelong Naperville resident; he graduated from Naperville High School, where he was a champion Trombone player; he attended North Central College; and he sang in a men's octet that toured the western United States; and

WHEREAS, He served as an Army medic in the Pacific Theater during World War II and received a Bronze Star for his bravery; after the war he married Laurabelle and they lived in Michigan while he attended Cleary Business College; and

WHEREAS, He co-founded Fry Brothers Realty with his two brothers in the mid-1950s; the company built more than 3,000 homes in the Naperville and Plainfield area; in the 1980s he formed Fry Properties and went on to build the Tamarack Golf Club and a subdivision with the same name; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fry was a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church in Naperville and was a former president of the Naperville Council of Churches; in retirement he wrote a collection of short stories from his youth; and

1           WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his wife, Laurabelle;  
2           and

3           WHEREAS, John Fry is survived by his sons, Alan and Gordon;  
4           his brother, Robert; his nine grandchildren; and his ten  
5           great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
7           ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
8           his family and friends, the passing of John Fry; and be it  
9           further

10          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11          presented to the family of John Fry as a symbol of our sincere  
12          sympathy.