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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 "Bob" Mork of Wheaton, who passed away on May 29, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, He was born December 8, 1953 in Chicago and spent his early childhood years there and in California; he attended Wheaton Central High School and was captain of the football team; he graduated from Wheaton College, where he met his wife of 34 years, Lorraine; he went on to the John Marshall Law School to earn his law degree; and

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WHEREAS, He demonstrated his skill as an attorney early by serving as a law clerk for Illinois Supreme Court Justice Howard Ryan; and

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WHEREAS, He was a resident of Wheaton for 45 years; he served as an attorney and advisor to the DuPage County Forest Preserve District, working for the stewardship of local conservation efforts; as a Wheaton City Councilman from 1993 to 2005, he served his hometown, working to revitalize the downtown area; he was a partner at Kuhn, Mitchell, Moss, Mork, and Lechowicz in Naperville; and

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WHEREAS, Serving as the DuPage County Public Guardian, he

1 cared for the well-being of the disabled and most vulnerable;
2 in each of his positions of responsibility he assumed and
3 pursued an ethic of good government worthy of the public trust;
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5 WHEREAS, He was a deeply committed family man; he was a
6 Notre Dame fan to his core and took great pride in his 3 sons
7 who attended the university; on a gameday Saturday in the fall,
8 there is no place he would rather have been than on campus with
9 his family; and

10 WHEREAS, He was a Corvette enthusiast, and one of his
11 greatest joys was going for drives with his wife; vacations and
12 holidays were times he cherished with family trips to Florida;
13 his Christian faith guided his care for and upbringing of his
14 family, instilling in his sons virtues of forgiveness,
15 sacrifice, integrity, and service of others; and

16 WHEREAS, Robert Mork is survived by his wife, Lorraine, his
17 sons, David (Kirsten), Brian, and Christopher; and his sisters,
18 Liz (Kevan) Thorwall and Wendy (Russ) Austin; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
21 his family and friends, the passing of Robert Mork; and be it
22 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Robert "Bob" Mork as a symbol of our
3 sincere sympathy.