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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 John B. Tipton, who passed away on April 14, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, John Tipton was born on February 14, 1922, in Girard; his parents were Howerton and Nettie Tipton; and

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WHEREAS, John Tipton served in the United States Navy during World War II; he served on the USS South Dakota, where he was injured; and

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WHEREAS, John Tipton will be fondly remembered as the balloon man; he always brought smiles to people's faces when he would give them a balloon animal or bouquet; and

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WHEREAS, John Tipton was a past commander of the Lockport American Legion John Olson Post #18, a past chaplain of the DAV #103, and a member of New Lenox VFW Harry E. Anderson Post #9545, Joliet-Matteson Masonic Lodge #175, Ansar Shrine of Springfield, and 40-8 Club of Joliet; and

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WHEREAS, John Tipton loved to help others and during his last years, he raised money from donations for injured service members who are presently in veterans' homes; he also worked

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1 hard to get a veteran's clinic and hospital in Joliet; and

2 WHEREAS, John Tipton was preceded in death by his wife,  
3 Loraine; his son, Matthew; and his parents; and

4 WHEREAS, John Tipton is survived by his daughter, Patricia  
5 (Roger) McReynolds; his grandchildren, Roger McReynolds, Randy  
6 (Heidi Buzay) McReynolds, Rebecca (Joe) Mahon, and Rachel  
7 (Jason) Ventura; his great-grandchildren, Andrew, Lilith,  
8 Evelyn, and Riley; and his brother, Henry (Lois Weddle) Tipton;  
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
12 his family and friends, the passing of John B. Tipton; and be  
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of John Tipton as an expression of our  
16 sympathy.