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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Kenneth W. Oleson of Marengo, who passed 4 away on October 28, 2013; and 5 WHEREAS, Kenneth Oleson was born on April 19, 1934 in 6 Woodstock to George and Mae (nee Butts) Oleson; he spent his 7 early years in Hampshire, where he attended Bean School, and at 8 age 12 he moved to Marengo; he graduated from Marengo High 9 School in 1952 and married Betty L. Schmook on June 1, 1957 in 10 Harvard; and 11 WHEREAS, Kenneth Oleson was a lifelong grain farmer and 12 former hog producer; he also worked for the Illinois Tollway 13 for 29 years, retiring in 1991 as an assistant foreman of the 14 M-6 garage; and 15 WHEREAS, Kenneth Oleson was an active member of Zion 16 Lutheran Church in Marengo, where he served as an usher, elder, and on the planning committee; he enjoyed attending church, 17 18 spending time with his family, and antique tractors; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Oleson was preceded in death by his parents; his in-laws; his son-in-law, Dave Below; and his brothers-in-law, Jerry Bassuener and Bill Burnett; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Kenneth Oleson is survived by his wife, Betty; his
- 2 daughters, Cindy Oleson and Judy Below (Bill Shine); his
- 3 sister, Carol Bassuener; his sister-in-law, Shirley Burnett;
- 4 and many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Kenneth W. Oleson, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Kenneth Oleson as an expression of
- 12 our deepest sympathy.