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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 William R. "Chatter" Chaplain of Benton, who passed away on January 17, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, William Chaplain was born on August 2, 1929 in Benton; his parents were Harley and Hazel (nee Bain) Chaplain; he married Beverly Boeck on November 16, 1985; and

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WHEREAS, William Chaplain served his country as a member of the United States Army Air Force's 97th Bombardment Wing, 8th Air Force of the 810th Division, having attained the rank of sergeant; and

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WHEREAS, In 1956, William Chaplain became a co-owner and operator of McCann-Chaplain Pharmacy; in 1966, he became a co-owner and operator of Kimmel-Chaplain Pharmacy, serving in that capacity until 1979; he also was the former owner of Southern Illinois Office Mart in Benton; and

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WHEREAS, William Chaplain was an investor, owner, operator, and producer of many oil wells throughout southern Illinois; he also worked in the coal industry, holding United Mine Workers of America jobs with Inland Steel, Consolidated Coal, and Old Ben Coal; and

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1 WHEREAS, William Chaplain served as president of the
2 Franklin County Fair for 18 years; he also served on the
3 Illinois Department of Public Aid Board of Directors in Benton,
4 the Benton Community Bank Board of Directors, the Rend Lake
5 Conservancy District Board of Directors, and Benton City
6 Economic Development; and

7 WHEREAS, William Chaplain was a 50-year member of First
8 Baptist Church in Benton and a member of the American
9 Legion/Veterans of Foreign Wars in Benton and the Boccie Ball
10 Club in Benton; and

11 WHEREAS, William Chaplain was preceded in death by his
12 first wife, Mary Lou Peyton; his parents; his daughter, Leslie
13 Sue Chaplain; and his siblings, Jack Chaplain and Frances
14 Henry; and

15 WHEREAS, William Chaplain is survived by his wife, Beverly
16 Chaplain; his children, William P. Chaplain, Todd (Dawn)
17 Andres, John (Hilda) Andres, and Holly (Brian) Wyant; his
18 grandchildren, William Gail Chaplain, Meredith (Rob) Ticer,
19 Alexa Wyant, Neal Andres, Nina Andres, and Adam Andres; and his
20 great-grandchild, Abigail Ticer; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
2 family and friends, mourn the passing of William R. "Chatter"
3 Chaplain; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of William Chaplain as an expression of
6 our sympathy.