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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 of Illinois WHEREAS, The members the House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Paul 4 Arthur Walker of Ewing, who passed away on June 22, 2015; and 5 WHEREAS, Paul Walker was born in Ewing on August 28, 1929 6 to Mason and Wilma (Toombs) Walker; he married Ella Dillow on 7 September 18, 1948; and 8 WHEREAS, Paul Walker served his country for 21 years in the 9 United States Navy as a chief in aviation mechanics; he fought 10 in the Korean War and made numerous cruises on board the USS Hancock, the USS Kitty Hawk, and the USS Bennington; he also 11 12 taught mechanics to air crewmen at Coronado Island, California; 13 and 14 WHEREAS, After retiring, Paul Walker worked for PSA Airlines as a mechanic and at Hughes Tool Factory, both in 15 16 California; he and his wife moved back to Ewing in 1976 and 17 opened a welding shop; and 18 WHEREAS, Paul Walker served as the mayor of Ewing for 14

years and as a deacon at Ewing Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Paul Walker was preceded in death by his parents;

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1 his son, Arthur Dale Walker; his 4 sisters; and his 4 brothers;

- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, Paul Walker is survived by his wife of 66 years,
- 4 Ella; his sons, Michael (Wanda) Walker and Robert (Patricia)
- 5 Walker; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces,
- 6 nephews, cousins, and great friends; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 9 mourn the passing of Paul Arthur Walker, and extend our sincere
- 10 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 11 him; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Paul Walker as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.