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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Vernon L. Jensen of Woodstock, who passed 4 away on February 17, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Vernon Jensen was born in Woodstock on January 31, 1927 to Forest and Edna (nee Barnard) Jensen; he attended Woodstock High School before serving in the United States Navy during World War II; he married Mary Lou Vogel on September 10, 1949 in Greenwood; and

WHEREAS, Upon his return from the Navy, Vernon Jensen worked with his father at Jensen's Plumbing and Heating; he built up the company and then purchased the business from his father in 1972, running it until his retirement in 1994, but still keeping an interest in the day to day operations; and

WHEREAS, Vernon Jensen was a lifelong member of First United Methodist Church in Woodstock; he was past President of the Lake and McHenry County Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors Association (PHCC), also serving as past President of the Illinois PHCC; he was active in the community as a member of the American Legion and VFW; he was a Shriner and a member of the Masonic Lodge; he was lifelong Packers fan; in his retirement, he enjoyed wintering in Arizona with his wife

- and many friends, where he attempted to improve his golf game;
- 2 he also enjoyed spending time at Lauderdale Lakes with friends
- 3 and family and fishing with his wife; one of his greatest joys
- 4 was spending time with his grandchildren and sharing in their
- 5 accomplishments; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Vernon Jensen was preceded in death by his
- 7 parents; his wife, Mary Lou; his son, Craig Jensen; and his 2
- 8 daughters, Susan and Cara Jensen; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Vernon Jensen is survived by his son, Allan
- 10 (Kathy) Jensen; his grandson, Matthew Jensen; and his
- 11 granddaughter, Meghan Jensen; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 14 Vernon L. Jensen, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of Vernon Jensen as an expression of
- 19 our deepest sympathy.