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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Father Marx A. Jones of Crystal Lake, who 4 passed away on December 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Fr. Jones was born in Abilene, Kansas on July 29, 1926 to Nathan and Blanche Jones; he served his country with the United States Navy during World War II in the Pacific; he returned home to attend the University of Northern Colorado and then Philadelphia Divinity School; and

WHEREAS, Fr. Jones was a priest for several parishes in Kansas before settling in Illinois and serving for the congregations of St. Mary's in Crystal Lake, St. Anskar's in Rockford, St. Christopher's in Princeton, and the LaSalle County Episcopal Ministries; and

15 WHEREAS, Fr. Jones coached his sons' baseball teams and 16 enjoyed golfing, story telling, and a good joke; he 17 participated in an Honor Flight to Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Fr. Jones was preceded in death by his wife of 34 years, Barbara (nee Prosise) Jones; his brothers, Nathan Jones, Scott Jones, and Clark Jones; his parents; and his step-mother, Marie Jones; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Fr. Jones is survived by his children, Michael
- 2 (Patricia) Jones, N. Douglas (Colleen) Jones, Christopher
- 3 Jones, and Matthew (Jane) Jones; his grandchildren, Alec,
- 4 Briley, Katie, Bryan, Nicole, and Sam; his niece; and his 2
- 5 nephews; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Father Marx A. Jones, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Fr. Jones as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.