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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 Howard "Bill" Huff of Urbana, who passed away on October 30, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Huff was born in Detroit, Michigan on May 29, 1922 to Howard and Elsie Huff; he graduated from Western High School in 1940 and worked at a series of jobs before landing at the Ford Automobile Factory Power House in Dearborn, Michigan; he was called up for active duty in 1942 and served as a Corporal in the 6th Amphibious Engineers Specialist Brigade; he returned to the United States in 1945 following his service and attended the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; he graduated with a degree in elementary education in 1948 and a master's degree in library science in 1950; he married Mary Josefovich at the Little Country Church in Chicago on October 28, 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Huff began working as a librarian for Northwestern University in Evanston; he then worked for the University of Illinois-Chicago at Navy Pier before moving to Urbana in 1957 to work for the University of Illinois; he turned his trips to American Library Association meetings into family vacations and would often haul the family cross-county, stopping at numerous points along the route; he finished his

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1 career as the Assistant Director for Collection Development and
2 Preservation with a title of Professor Emeritus; and

3 WHEREAS, Bill Huff enjoyed painting and traveling in
4 retirement; he and his wife spent winters in their home in Port
5 Orange, Florida and traveled the world; and

6 WHEREAS, Bill Huff and his wife were active members of the
7 Unitarian Universalist Church; and

8 WHEREAS, Bill Huff was preceded in death by his wife, Mary,
9 and his sisters, Catherine and Virginia; and

10 WHEREAS, Bill Huff is survived by his 4 sons and a
11 daughter, Craig Huff (Debbie), Bryan Huff (Yan Liu), Glenn
12 Huff, Dale Huff (Debra Book), and Cathy Demeroukas (Chris); his
13 grandchildren, Aaron Huff, Jonathan Huff, Angela Cross
14 (Justin), Nathan Huff (Kate Philbeck), Sophia Huff, Michelle
15 Demeroukas-Fetterman (Michael), and Alex Demeroukas; and his 3
16 great-grandchildren, Tristan and Emily Cross and Magdalene
17 Huff; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 William Howard "Bill" Huff, and extend our sincere condolences
21 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be

1 it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of Bill Huff as an expression of our
4 deepest sympathy.