

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 express their sincere condolences to the family and friends
4 of former Illinois State Senator Walter Duda, who passed away
5 on October 10, 2001; and

6 WHEREAS, Senator Duda, a longtime Chicago resident,
7 represented the 15th District in the State Senate for four
8 years in the late 1960s; and

9 WHEREAS, Senator Duda was the chief Senate sponsor of
10 legislation that set out requirements to certify social
11 workers and an exemption bill that provided property tax
12 relief for senior citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, Before entering the Senate, Senator Duda worked
14 as a high school counselor and a 6th grade teacher in Skokie,
15 a Cook County juvenile court social worker and a real estate
16 agent; he earned his seat in the Illinois Senate by
17 campaigning door-to-door; and

18 WHEREAS, Although never a professional politician,
19 Senator Duda was a political news junkie who read several
20 newspapers, watched the nightly news and devoured the
21 biographies of local and national political leaders; and

22 WHEREAS, The passing of former State Senator Walter Duda
23 will be deeply felt by all who knew and loved him, especially
24 his wife of 58 years, Lilyan; his daughters, Deanna Sawyer,
25 Rosemary Puckelwartz and Amy Warman; his son, Ladd Duda; his
26 sister, Judy Vanderhoof; his five grandchildren; and his
27 friends and colleagues in the Illinois State Senate;
28 therefore, be it

29 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
30 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
31 all who knew him, the death of former Illinois State Senator

1 Walter Duda of Chicago; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of former Illinois State Senator
4 Walter Duda with our sincere condolences.