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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 Harry Culbertson Armstrong of Glen Carbon, who passed away on June 29, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong was born in Delavan to Benjamin Pearl and Marie Armstrong (Meeker) on January 19, 1932; he graduated from Delavan High School in 1949 and earned his Bachelor of Science in Commerce and Law at the University of Illinois in 1953; he earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of Illinois School of Law in 1955 and was admitted to the Illinois Bar that same year; he married Marylyn Allgood on October 4, 1956 and served as a J.A.G. officer in the United States Air Force in Korea in the late 1950s; and

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WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong settled in Edwardsville, where he entered into the practice of law with James L. Reed; he became a partner of Reed, Armstrong and Gorman for the rest of his 55 year career, retiring in 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong likely set the record for the most jury trials tried to verdict in the State of Illinois; he and his long-time partner and friend, the late James E. Gorman, set the record for the most jury trials tried to verdict in the State of Illinois by two members of the same firm; and

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1 WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong was a member of the American Bar
2 Association and the Illinois State Bar Association; he was a
3 former President of the Madison County Bar Association and a
4 Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers; and

5 WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong's passions included his family,
6 the law, his dogs, and traveling; and

7 WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong was preceded in death by his
8 parents; and

9 WHEREAS, Harry Armstrong is survived by his wife of 60
10 years, Marylyn; his sister, Marilyn Hart (Bob); his children,
11 Tad Armstrong (Mel), Pam Stullken (Bill), and Amy Ducharme
12 (Derek); his grandchildren, Ben Armstrong, Beth White, Ian
13 Thomas, Meghan Grimmer, Megan Madrid, Hans Stullken, Wolfgang
14 Stullken, Ashlee Ducharme, and Harry Ducharme; and his
15 great-grandchildren, Gabby White, Maddy White, Emerson Thomas,
16 Gracie Grimmer, Dean Grimmer, Willem Madrid, Sebastian Madrid,
17 Bella Stullken, and Violet Stullken; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Harry Culbertson Armstrong, 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 Harry Armstrong as an expression of
4 our deepest sympathy.