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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of James A. "Jim" Blakely of Moline, who 4 passed away on March 5, 2019; and WHEREAS, Jim Blakely was born in Lebanon, Missouri to 5 6 George and Vica Conn Blakely on August 31, 1924; he served in 7 the United States Army during World War II; he married Mary 8 Ellen Erickson in Rock Island on May 12, 1976; and 9 WHEREAS, Jim Blakely worked as a truck driver for Johnson 10 Sheet Metal and retired in 1985 after 23 years of service; and 11 WHEREAS, Jim Blakely enjoyed fishing; and 12 WHEREAS, Jim Blakely was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Mary; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Jim Blakely is survived by his great-niece, Gretta Knight; his great-nephew, Frank Jacobs; his cousins, Jim and 15 16 Joanne King and Becky and Lowell Morgan; and his dear friend, Blanche Jacobs; therefore, be it 17 18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL 19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

- James. A. "Jim" Blakely and extend our sincere condolences to
- 2 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 3 further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to the family of Jim Blakely as an expression of our
- 6 deepest sympathy.