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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Albert Dimitri Wylie of Peoria, who 4 passed away on April 29, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, Albert Wylie was born to Albert R. and Jessie 6 Pickett Wylie in Peoria on October 5, 1929; he graduated from 7 Peoria High School in 1948 and later took courses at Bradley 8 University and Illinois Central College; he married his loving 9 wife Eleanor in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Albert Wylie first worked at Statesville Correctional Center in Crest Hill for a short time; he then worked at Illinois Bell before being hired at Caterpillar; he retired as a security and fire inspector in 1989 after 27 years with the company; and

WHEREAS, After taking an early retirement, Albert Wylie remained active volunteering as an escort at UnityPoint Health Methodist for many years, taking care of extended family, and working with his aunt as a massage therapist; and

WHEREAS, Albert Wylie was a member of the Lion's Club, the Firefighters Association, the Peoria Housing Authority, the National Democratic Association, the NAACP, and the Peoria

- 1 Riverfront Museum; he was a long-time member of Zion Baptist
- 2 Church where he sang in the Inspirational Choir and was a
- 3 trustee; and
- 4 WHEREAS, To preserve the Wylie family legacy, Albert Wylie
- 5 submitted family photos to the Southern Historical Collection
- 6 at the Wilson Library at the University of North Carolina at
- 7 Chapel Hill and created the Minnie Wylie Graves Scholarship in
- 8 health careers at Illinois Central College; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Albert Wylie enjoyed discussing current events,
- 10 politics, and history; he was an avid reader and especially
- loved mysteries and thrillers; he loved going to the movies,
- 12 and his favorite TV show was Law and Order; he and his wife
- 13 watched Wheel of Fortune regularly and enjoyed traveling by
- train across the U.S.; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Albert Wylie was preceded in death by his
- 16 grandparents, Thomas A. and Jessie Wylie; his parents; his
- 17 sister, Charlotte Luey; his cousin, Ramona McGavock; and his
- 18 aunt, Minnie Graves; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Albert Wylie is survived by his wife; his
- 20 daughter, Staci R. Wylie; his aunt, Alice Spotser (Pickett);
- 21 and his brother-in-law, Sherald Gordon; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 3 Albert Dimitri Wylie and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 4 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 5 further
- 6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 7 presented to the family of Albert Wylie as an expression of our
- 8 deepest sympathy.