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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Clyde D. Meier Jr., who passed away on 4 October 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Meier was born near Booneville, Arkansas to Mabel and Clyde D. Meier Sr. on July 6, 1925; his childhood was spent in Arkansas and Oklahoma before he eventually settled in Silvis, where he attended United Township High School in East Moline and was president of the class of 1943; he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps, where he trained as a navigator; after World War II, he attended Augustana College in Rock Island; he married Mary E. Termont in 1948 and earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1949; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Meier taught fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades in a two-room schoolhouse in Barstow beginning in 1949; he became the principal of Wells School in East Moline in 1953; while serving as principal, he earned a Master of Science in Education from Western Illinois University; in 1962, he began serving as principal of Ridgewood School, and, in 1974, he became principal of McKinley School; from 1975 through the end of his career in 1986, he served as the assistant superintendent and business manager of the East Moline school district; for many years during the summer, he

- 1 also worked as a surveyor for the City of Bettendorf, Iowa; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Clyde Meier was a member of St. Anne's Catholic
- 3 Church in East Moline and was active in the Illinois Retired
- 4 Teachers Association; he was a compassionate and generous man
- 5 who never spoke ill of anyone; he and Mary enjoyed traveling,
- 6 both abroad and in the United States, as well as attending
- 7 plays and concerts; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Clyde Meier was preceded in death by his wife,
- 9 Mary; his brother, Robert; and his sister, Helen (Suchy); and
- 10 WHEREAS, Clyde Meier is survived by his sons and
- 11 daughters-in-law, Paul and Linda Meier, David and Sally Meier,
- and Alan and Mary Meier; his grandchildren, Meghan (Anthony)
- 13 Ross, Alison (Joel Gentes) Meier, Erin Meier, Leah (Lance)
- 14 Kennedy, Curtis (Kimberly) Meier, Brendan (Rebecca) Meier, and
- 15 Travis Meier; his great-grandchildren, Landon and Simon Ross,
- 16 Kellan, Evan, and Declan Kennedy, Rhodes and Xavier Gentes,
- 17 and Nolan and Adeline Meier; and many beloved nieces and
- 18 nephews; therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 21 Clyde D. Meier Jr. and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 22 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it

- 1 further
- 2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 3 presented to the family of Clyde Meier as an expression of our
- 4 deepest sympathy.