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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 Edward "Beans" Rittof, Sr. of Joliet, who passed away on October 19, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born in Joliet to the late Michael and Anna (nee Gaydos) Rittof; he was a lifelong Joliet/Channahon resident; and

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WHEREAS, He and his late wife owned and operated Rittof's Restaurant and Lounge for 26 years, retiring in 1987; he was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Channahon; he was a member of the United States Coast Guard and served his country during World War II; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 65 years, Jessie L. Rittof; his son, Frederick Rittof; his brothers, Jack Rittof, Michael Rittof, Steve Rittof, and Leonard Rittof; his sisters, Ann Grenchick, Pauline Suca, Margaret Suca, Mary Seeley-Derlinga, Josephine Lyons-Grenchick, Lucile Bajt, and Rose Rittof; and several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; and

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WHEREAS, Edward "Beans" Rittof, Sr. is survived by his sons, Edward (Brenda) Rittof, Jr., Paul (Pamela) Rittof, and

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1 Michael Rittof; his daughter-in-law, Colleen Rittof; his
2 grandchildren, Robert Rittof, Frederick (Tracie) Rittof,
3 Kathleen (Dr. William, M.D.) Kosmala, Edward D. Rittof, Donald
4 Rittof, Jennifer (Brian) Kursell, Christine (Brad) Lackey,
5 Jennifer (Matt) Baker, Marissa Rittof, and Anthony Rittof; his
6 great-grandchildren, Cameron and Owen Kosmala, Jonathan and
7 Alexis Lackey, and Caden Kursell; and numerous nieces and
8 nephews; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
11 his family and friends, the passing of Edward "Beans" Rittof,
12 Sr.; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Edward "Beans" Rittof, Sr. as a
15 symbol of our sincere sympathy.