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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 Dr. John M. "Jack" Abell of Aurora, who passed away on October 27, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. John Abell was born on September 29, 1921, in Aurora to Mary Ann and William Abell and lived in Aurora all of his life; he graduated from Marmion Military Academy, Benedictine University, and the University of Illinois Medical School; he married Patricia Brennan; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. John Abell was a member of the Lay Association of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, Holy Angels Church, Serra Club of Aurora, and the Kane County Medical Society; he was an honorary staff member of Provena Mercy Medical Center and Rush-Copley Medical Center; he interned at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, California and was in the Navy Reserve until 1982; he joined Dreyer Medical Clinic in 1950 and retired in 1986; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. John Abell was preceded in death by his grandson, Kevin Bryant; his parents, Mary Ann and William Abell; his sisters, May Dickes and Patricia Abell; and his brother, William Abell; and

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1           WHEREAS, Dr. John Abell is survived by his wife, Patricia  
2           (Brennan) Abell; his children, Michael (Janice) Abell, Martha  
3           (Richard) Rode, Theresa (John) Bryan, and Timothy Abell; and  
4           his grandchildren, Timothy and Michaela Rode, Cameron Abell,  
5           Jeffrey and Nathan Abell, and Patrick, Michael, David, and Mary  
6           Kate Bryant; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
8           ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9           Dr. John Abell, and we extend our sincere condolences to his  
10          family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
11          further

12          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13          presented to the family of Dr. John Abell as an expression of  
14          our deepest sympathy.