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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 John L. Orso of Crystal Lake, who passed away on October 30, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, John Orso was born on December 2, 1927 in Aurora to Giovanni and Maria Orso; he graduated from Marmion Academy and received his Bachelor of Arts in Business from the University of Notre Dame; he served his country in the United States Army; he was united in marriage to Marilyn Schuler at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Aurora on November 23, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, John Orso worked for 39 years for Nicor Gas Company, serving as district superintendent during his last 8 years; he retired in 1989; and

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WHEREAS, John Orso was a member of Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church for 50 years, serving as a parish council president; he was a member of the Knights of Columbus #3880, and he served as chair of the Apostolic Commission; he was a member of the first board of directors of the Crystal Lake United Way and later served as chairman; he was also on the board of the Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Rotary Club of Crystal Lake and the Notre Dame Club of McHenry County; and

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1           WHEREAS, John Orso volunteered throughout his community  
2 with many organizations, such as the Community for Upholding  
3 Persons jail ministry and the Pioneer Center for Human  
4 Services' Public Action to Deliver Shelter, and he led many  
5 blood drives for the Heartland Blood Bank; and

6           WHEREAS, John Orso was preceded in death by his parents and  
7 his sisters, Martha and Katherine; and

8           WHEREAS, John Orso is survived by his wife, Marilyn; his  
9 children, Catherine (Julio), Mary (Lee) Putman, Laurie (John)  
10 Dulac, John (Cathy) Orso, Susan Charles, Michael Orso, Martha  
11 Orso, and Ellen (Jay) Noecker; his 10 grandchildren; and his 2  
12 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

13           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
15 John L. Orso, and extend our sincere condolences to his family,  
16 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

17           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of John Orso as an expression of our  
19 deepest sympathy.