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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 Wallace William "Wally" Schwahn of Rock Island, who passed away on July 22, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Wallace Schwahn was born on June 2, 1923 in Appleton, Wisconsin; his parents were Edwin and Cora (nee Wegner) Schwahn; he married Nancy Ann Jost on April 5, 1951 in Rock Island; and

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WHEREAS, Wallace Schwahn served his country as a member of the United States Armed Forces during World War II; and

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WHEREAS, Following his service to his nation, Wallace Schwahn attended and graduated from Valparaiso University in Indiana with a Bachelor of Science in chemistry; he subsequently attended and graduated from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science in Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Wallace Schwahn was employed by Hodgson Funeral Home in Rock Island, where he worked as a funeral director and embalmer from 1950 until his retirement in 1991; following his retirement, he assisted the funeral home on a part-time basis for many years; and

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1           WHEREAS, Wallace Schwahn was a longtime and devoted member  
2 of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island; he was also a  
3 member of the Greater Rock Island Lions Club, where he worked  
4 countless evenings of bingo; and

5           WHEREAS, Wallace Schwahn is survived by several cousins,  
6 including Mary Runge; his special friend, Mary "Deannie"  
7 Wiggins and her family, who he had "adopted" as his own; and  
8 his many friends; therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
11 family and friends, mourn the passing of Wallace William  
12 "Wally" Schwahn; and be it further

13           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Wallace Schwahn as an expression of  
15 our sympathy.