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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Franklin Delano Bell of Milan, who passed 4 away on July 28, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Franklin Bell was born in Savanna on January 3,
6 1937 to Henry J. and Estella E. (nee Farrell) Bell; he
7 graduated from Savanna High School and St. Ambrose College in
8 Davenport, Iowa; he served in the United States Army at Fort
9 Carson, Colorado as part of a USAR Control Training Group; he
10 married Constance Bower on September 30, 1972; and

11 WHEREAS, Franklin Bell was a Certified Life Underwriter for 12 the Metropolitan Life Company; after retiring from 13 Metropolitan, he served for over 12 years as the Executive 14 Director of Rock Island Clean and Beautiful; and

WHEREAS, Franklin Bell was a member of Rock Island's Sacred Heart Church, a life-member of the Rock Island Evening Lions Club, and a member and Past-President of Metropolitan Life Veterans Association; he was a member and Past-President of the AACA/Mississippi Valley Antique Automobile Club of America; he was also a member of the National Rifle Association; and

21 WHEREAS, Franklin Bell was preceded in death by his

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- parents; his 4 brothers, Charles Bedford and Robert, James, and 1
- 2 Carl Bell; his 4 sisters, Doris, Mary, Evelyn, and Ferolee
- Bell; and his in-laws, Ed French, Sally Bell, and Josie 3
- Bedford; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Franklin Bell is survived by his wife, Constance;
- 6 his sons, Scott Bell and Franklin T. (MeOsha) Bell; his
- 7 stepchildren, Tina Bower, Tami (Steve) Schmidt, Tony Bower, and
- 8 Frank Τ. (Lisa) Bower; his 10 grandchildren; his
- 9 great-grandchildren; his sister, Ruth French; his brother,
- 10 Wilmer (Marge) Bell; his sister-in-law, Nancy Bell; and many
- 11 wonderful nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- Franklin Delano Bell, and extend our sincere condolences to his 14
- 15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of Franklin Bell as an expression of
- 19 our deepest sympathy.