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SENATE RESOLUTION

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2	WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened t
3	learn of the death of William F. "Bill" Hardin of Peoria, wh
4	passed away on October 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Bill Hardin was born on July 18, 1926 to Frank E. 5 6 and Daisy M. (nee Stoughton) Hardin; he served in the United 7 States Navy during World War II and graduated from Bradley 8 University, where he was active in the Sigma Chi Fraternity; he 9 married Marian Hoerr on July 29, 1950 at Westminster 10 Presbyterian Church in Peoria; and

WHEREAS, Bill Hardin was the founder and owner of Hardin Signs in Peoria, where he worked for 46 years; he was a professional portrait painter; he began with landscape painting and after taking seminars in New York, developed a love for portrait painting; every year for the last 13 years, he printed calendars with 12 of his paintings and their descriptions; and

WHEREAS, Bill Hardin was an active member and past President of Rotary Club 76 in Peoria; he and his wife enjoyed taking trips to their cabin in Door County, Wisconsin, where he added a studio and could often be found painting; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Bill Hardin was preceded in death by his wife,
- 2 Marian; his parents; his brother, Norton Hardin; and his 2
- 3 sisters, Bette Petran and Ann Crawshaw; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Bill Hardin is survived by his children, Jim
- 5 (Debby) Hardin, Kelly (Rocky) Nohl, and Joan (Jeff) Weiser; his
- 6 grandchildren, Carrie (Matt) Garman, Tanner Hardin, Curtis
- 7 (Val), Brent (Amy), Valerie, and Caroline Nohl, Karen (Maru)
- 8 Maruyama, and Kristen Watts; and his great-grandchildren,
- 9 Avery and Ruby Garman and Carter, Mason, and Oliver Nohl;
- 10 therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 13 William F. "Bill" Hardin, and extend our sincere condolences to
- 14 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 15 further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Bill Hardin as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.