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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 Philip J. "Phil" Leininger of East Alton, who passed away on November 14, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Phil Leininger was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on January 9, 1921 to George and Lana Jones Leininger; he lived in Columbia City, Indiana until attending college at Purdue University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1942; he married Joetta Hubbs on April 8, 1944 at 1st Presbyterian Church in Wood River; he later married Betty "Jean" Arnold Bowser on February 9, 1974 at 1st Presbyterian Church; and

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WHEREAS, Phil Leininger worked at Shell Oil Company in various positions from January of 1943 until his retirement in March of 1981; after retiring, he worked for H & R Block for several years; he also enjoyed working as a volunteer for AARP, TCE, and VITA in their various programs assisting seniors and low-income families; and

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WHEREAS, Phil Leininger was fortunate throughout his life to be able to travel the world, starting when he was 16 on a bicycle trip through Europe; he particularly enjoyed listening to classical music and attending theater productions and

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1 symphonies; his family will remember his love of reading and
2 working his daily crossword puzzles; he was an avid golfer well
3 into his 80s; he was a member of 1st Presbyterian Church in
4 Wood River/The United Presbyterian Church for over 60 years,
5 where he served as a Sunday school teacher, deacon, elder, and
6 longtime choir member; and

7 WHEREAS, Phil Leininger was preceded in death by his first
8 wife, Joetta; his second wife, Betty; and his granddaughter,
9 Holly Musgrave; and

10 WHEREAS, Phil Leininger is survived by his 2 children from
11 his marriage to Joetta, Mauriana "Maury" Reynolds and Jon
12 (Georgia) Leininger; he gained 3 more children when he married
13 Jean, Steve (Jeannie) Bowser, Susan "Susie" (Maurice)
14 Musgrave, and Bill Bowser; he was blessed to have 9
15 grandchildren, Jolana (Tim) Church, Daniel Leininger, Andrew
16 Leininger, Barbara Bowser, Jacob Musgrave, James (Leslie)
17 Musgrave, Robert Musgrave, Crystal (Brett) Carroll, and
18 Elizabeth Cole; and 7 great-grandchildren, Kherington Church,
19 Kamden Church, Levi Musgrave, Brandon Carroll, Ava Carroll,
20 Tyler Garner, and Brianna Cole; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
23 Philip J. "Phil" Leininger, and extend our sincere condolences

1 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
2 it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Phil Leininger as an expression of
5 our deepest sympathy.