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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Judge Robert K. McQueen of Lindenhurst, 4 formerly of Gurnee, who passed away on April 3, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Judge McQueen was born in Farragut, Iowa to Benjamin and Bessie McQueen on April 12, 1920; he was raised on a farm by his mother who was widowed when he was three; he held undergraduate and Juris Doctor degrees from George Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Judge McQueen was a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; he retired as Senior Resident Agent at Waukegan after 25 years and became an assistant state's attorney for Lake County and was an adjunct professor of legal courses at the now Gateway Institute in Kenosha, Wisconsin; he was appointed to the Illinois 19th Judicial District as an associate judge in 1972 where he later served as circuit and chief judge; and

WHEREAS, Judge McQueen was a member of the Illinois Bar Association and a member and past President of the Lake County Bar Association; he was a member of the Society of Former Agents of the FBI, the Gurnee Community Church, and the Honest Johns Club in Waukegan; he was a former member of the Boy

- 1 Scouts of America Troop 77 in Gurnee, the Halfway House
- 2 Advisory Board, the Law Enforcement Advisory Committee of Lake
- 3 County College, the Gurnee Lions and Exchange Clubs, and the
- 4 Palmento Pine Country Club of Cape Coral, Florida, where he
- 5 wintered; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Judge McQueen was a commissioned Naval officer in
- 7 World War II and was honored by the Village of Gurnee in 1982
- 8 for service to the community; he was recognized by the Illinois
- 9 Bar Association in 2000 as a Senior Counsellor after 50 years
- 10 of membership; his work in the FBI investigating Soviet
- espionage in the late 1940s and early 1950s was featured in the
- book "Bombshell" and two television documentaries; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Judge McQueen was preceded in death by his wife of
- 14 67 years, Harriet (Peggy) McQueen; his parents; and his
- 15 brother, Wayland; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Judge McQueen is survived by his son, Thomas
- 17 (Janet) McQueen; his daughter, Jane (Robert) Lindquist; and
- 18 five grandchildren, Allison McQueen, Alexander McQueen, Andrew
- 19 McQueen, Ashely Lindquist, and Anna Lindquist; therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- Judge Robert K. McQueen, and extend our sincere condolences to

- 1 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 2 further
- 3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 4 presented to the family of Judge McQueen as an expression of
- 5 our deepest sympathy.