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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Paul Everett Smith of Urbana, who passed 4 away on February 4, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Paul Smith was born in Roodhouse to Carrie (McGhehey) and William Oscar Smith on May 7, 1921; he attended Roodhouse schools and was baptized in the Illinois River at Hillview in 1937; he served his country following World War II in the Merchant Marines, taking thousands of horses to a devastated Europe; he attended Shurtleff College in Alton and received a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois in science education in 1948 and a master's degree in 1950; he married Ruth E. Sprankel on December 24, 1950; and

WHEREAS, Paul Smith taught physics and chemistry at Urbana High School from 1948 until 1970; he was a member of the Illinois Physics Teachers Association, the Illinois Chemistry Teachers Association, and the National Physics and Chemistry Association; and

WHEREAS, Paul Smith and his wife founded an apartment rental business in Champaign-Urbana in 1958, which still operates today; he was a founding member of the Central Illinois Apartment Association; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Paul Smith was an active member of Twin City Bible
- 2 Church for over 50 years; he enjoyed working, reading the
- Bible, helping others, and being with his family; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Paul Smith was preceded in death by his wife,
- 5 Ruth; his parents; three brothers; and one sister; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Paul Smith is survived by his daughters, Christine
- 7 Gunther (Jim) and Karen Colvill (Jeff); his grandchildren,
- 8 Steve Colvill (Olivia), Jenny Colvill, and Jamie Gunther; and
- 9 his brother, Philip Smith; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 12 Paul Everett Smith, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Paul Smith as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.