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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 Thomas W. Holland, who passed away on February 19, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas W. Holland was a 25-year-old Navy veteran when he joined his father, L.H. Holland, in the Holland and Holland law practice in 1951 in a historic building in downtown Wood River; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Holland had a reputation as a lawyer who did legal work for family estates in probate court; school districts and city officials recognized his knowledge of school and municipal law; he was hired as Wood River city attorney, lawyer for East Alton-Wood River High School, East Alton Elementary District, Wood River-Hartford Elementary District, and Lewis and Clark Community College; and

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WHEREAS, He was a founding father of Lewis and Clark Community College and prepared all the legal documents to form the college; through his efforts before the Illinois Supreme Court the city of Wood River was able to obtain title to Belk Park, and he subsequently donated his legal services for the development of the Belk Park Golf Course; and

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1 WHEREAS, He was a leader in the legal profession and active
2 in the Wood River community, public library, his church, and
3 many organizations; and

4 WHEREAS, Thomas Holland is survived by his wife, Mary
5 Betty; his children, Christopher Holland, Robin Holland, and
6 Susan and her husband, Bill, Florent; his stepsons and their
7 wives, Raymond and Linda White, and David and Sue White; his
8 grandchildren, Casey, Megan and Tom Florent; his
9 stepgrandchildren, Jessica and her husband, Carlos, Ferreira,
10 Jarrod, Jacob, Molly, Dylan and Sydney White; his
11 stepgreat-granddaughter, Madeline Ferreira; his brother-in-law
12 and his wife, Bob and Janet Tite; and his sisters-in-law, Kay
13 Pollard, Marsha Tassinari and Nancy Shaw; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
16 his family and friends, the passing of Thomas W. Holland; and
17 be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Thomas W. Holland as a symbol of our
20 sympathy.