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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Larry Nedrow was born on December 13, 1924, in 2 3 Oregon, Illinois; he attended school in a one-room school house 4 in Oregon for grades 1 through 8; he then attended Oregon High 5 School; and 6 WHEREAS, In 1944, Larry Nedrow was drafted into the United 7 States Army; he then volunteered for the U.S. Army Air Corps, 8 where he was assigned to the Army Airways Communication System 9 and was stationed on Canton Island in the Pacific and Hickam 10 Field in Hawaii; he also served as a civilian employee of the 11 Army Signal Corps as a Message Center Officer during the winter of 1946-1947; he returned to Aurora in 1947; and 12 13 WHEREAS, In 1949, Larry Nedrow entered the painting trade; 14 he worked for numerous painting contractors before founding Larry Nedrow Decorating in 1956; he owned the business until 15 his retirement in 1992; and 16 WHEREAS, Larry Nedrow was very active in the painting 17 18 industry and was adept at labor relations; in 1958, he founded 19 the Aurora Painting Contractors Association; in that same year, he was instrumental in negotiating a State-wide Welfare Plan; 20 21 these entities stayed in place until 1966, when the Northeast 22 Illinois Chapter of the Painting and Decorating Contractors of

- 1 America (PDCA) was established and the union reorganized into
- 2 the Painter's District Council No. 30; Larry served as the
- 3 first President of the new PDCA chapter; he was also very
- 4 active with the Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee, where
- 5 he worked with other contractors and union officials to
- 6 standardize the apprentice training program; and
- WHEREAS, Larry Nedrow was one of the first trustees of the
- 8 Northern Illinois Painting and Drywall Institute (NIPDI), an
- 9 industry fund founded in 1976 to serve union painting and
- 10 drywall taping contractors throughout northern Illinois; Larry
- 11 served as an NIPDI trustee from December of 1978 to June of
- 12 1992; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Larry Nedrow married the love of his life, Doris,
- on August 9, 1957; together, they had 4 children, Jill, Jack,
- 15 George, and Jodi; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to honor
- the life of Larry Nedrow, who passed away on April 4, 1996;
- 18 therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
- 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
- 21 his family and friends, the passing of Larry Nedrow; and be it
- 22 further

- 1 RESOLVED, That we designate the week of April 4, 2010 as
- 2 Union Painting Contractors Week in the State of Illinois; and
- 3 be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to the family of Larry Nedrow in appreciation of his
- 6 dedication and leadership of the Northern Illinois Painting and
- 7 Drywall Institute.