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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Ralph Vernon Froehling of Canton, who
4 passed away on January 9, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling, the son of Arthur and Julia
6 (Wilkenning) Froehling, was born in Harvey on October 5, 1928;
7 he graduated from Cissna Park High School; he enlisted in the
8 U.S. Army, serving from 1946 to 1948; with funding from the
9 G.I. Bill, he attended the University of Illinois and was
10 accepted into the University of Illinois Law School, earning
11 his Juris Doctor in 1952; he married Jean Millington at Wesley
12 United Church in Canton on January 27, 1952; he was recalled to
13 active duty during the Korean War and served in the Advocate
14 General Department of the Army; and

15 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling began his legal practice in Oak
16 Park and then practiced law in Galesburg; he joined the
17 Chipperfield Law Firm in Canton in 1956; attorneys Ron Weber
18 and Nancy Schell became partners years later, and the firm is
19 currently known as Froehling, Weber & Schell; and

20 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling was recognized as Senior
21 Counselor by the Illinois Bar Association in 2002; and

1 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling was an active member of his
2 community, serving in the Kiwanis Club of Canton and the
3 Canton Rotary Club as well as on the Board of the
4 Parlin-Ingersoll Library Board of Trustees and with other
5 local organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling was preceded in death by his
7 brother, Harold, and his sister, Alice; and

8 WHEREAS, Ralph Froehling is survived by his wife, Jean;
9 his sons, Alan Froehling, John Froehling, and David Froehling;
10 his daughter, Lynn (Brian) Martie; eight grandchildren; 12
11 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews,
12 great-nieces, and great-nephews; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
15 Ralph Vernon Froehling and extend our sincere condolences to
16 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Ralph Froehling as an expression of
20 our deepest sympathy.