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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 James E. Padesky of Moline, who passed away on March 26, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, James Padesky was born in LaCrosse, Wisconsin to Jacob and Eileen Burns Padesky on April 26, 1921; he graduated from Aquinas High School in LaCrosse and the University of Notre Dame; he served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II; in July of 1944, he joined the 323rd Bomb Group (B-26) as a pilot in England and France; later, he was in the 14th Liaison Squadron, Ninth Air Force in support of General Patton's Third Army; he married Virginia M. Schmidt in Aledo on May 4, 1952; and

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WHEREAS, James Padesky retired from Sexton Ford in 1988 after 29 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, James Padesky was a member of Sacred Heart Church, American Legion Post 246 in Moline, the Notre Dame Alumni Club of the Quad Cities, and the Society of the French Legion of Honor; and

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WHEREAS, James Padesky was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Kathleen VandeMoortel; his sisters, Sarah Jane

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1 Fellows, and Elizabeth Padesky; and his brother, John Padesky;
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3 WHEREAS, James Padesky is survived by his wife, Virginia;
4 his children and their spouses, Mark and Vicki Padesky, Amy and
5 Ron McGill, Joseph and Melissa Padesky, and Anne and Gary
6 VandeMoortel; his grandchildren, Greg (Jackie), Christopher
7 (Lauren), Luke and Jeffrey Padesky, Alex McGill, Abby (Jeff)
8 Less, and Jacob (Liz) VandeMoortel; and nine
9 great-grandchildren; 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 James E. Padesky, 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 James Padesky as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.