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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Donald Dean Walden Sr. of Joliet, who 4 passed away on May 20, 2017; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Donald Walden was born to Grace (Deutschman) and 6 Elmer Walden on January 15, 1931; he attended Joliet grade 7 schools, Joliet Township High School, and Joliet Junior 8 College; he served in the United States Navy during the Korean 9 War; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Donald Walden retired from Illinois Bell
 11 (Ameritech) after 37 years of service; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Donald Walden was a lifetime member of American 13 Legion Post #1080 and served as the commander on seven different occasions; he was a member of the Legion Band Color 14 15 Guard and volunteered for many local causes; he held 16 memberships in various clubs and organizations including the 17 Port Authority of Lewis University Airport, the City of Joliet 18 Planning Commission, the board of Abraham Lincoln National 19 Cemetery, VFW Cantigny Post #367, the Will County Project Pride (Chairman), the Associated Clubs of Will County, the Disabled 20 21 American Veterans, the American Legion Riders, the Veterans 22 Assistance Commission, and Sons of the American Legion; he was

- 1 also a Troy Township Trustee for over 30 years and a member of
- 2 Grace United Methodist Church; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Donald Walden is survived by his wife of 57 years,
- 4 Carol (Clemens); his children, Brian (Lisa) Walden and Don
- 5 (Dena) Walden Jr.; and his grandchildren, Colin and Tyler
- 6 Walden; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 9 Donald Dean Walden Sr., and extend our sincere condolences to
- 10 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 11 further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Donald Walden as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.