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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Robert B. Lawrence of Moline, who passed 4 away on September 4, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lawrence was born in West Frankfort to David and Genevieve Horrell Lawrence on January 16, 1925; he served in the 71st Infantry with the United States Army as a staff sergeant during World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge; he married Betty Henderson in Chicago on June 19, 1949 and graduated from Iowa Wesleyan College in 1950; and

11 WHEREAS, Robert Lawrence retired from Ditech Inc. in 1979, 12 where he served as an owner/operator; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lawrence was a member of Riverside United Methodist Church in Moline for over 60 years and a member of United Methodist Men; he was active in his earlier years, coaching Biddy Basketball, Dad's Club Baseball, and Babe Ruth Baseball; he and Betty enjoyed their time with family and friends, loved watching their children and grandchildren in sporting events, and loved playing bridge and spending time at their cottage on Walloon Lake, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lawrence was preceded in death by his wife

- of 68 years, Betty; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Robert Lawrence is survived by his sons, Terry
- 3 (Lauren), Ted (Vicki), and Tom (Donna); his grandchildren, Bryn
- 4 (Courtney), Evan (Kellene), Victoria (Greg), Nathan, Jacob,
- 5 Lucas, David, Jamie (Aaron), and Jenna; and his
- 6 great-grandchildren, Elijah and Sophia; 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 Robert B. Lawrence, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 10 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 Robert Lawrence as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.