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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of Ralph F. Appel of East Moline, 4 formerly of Milan, who passed away on December 4, 2021; and 5 WHEREAS, Ralph Appel was born to William and Myrtle 6 (Williams) Appel in Stockton on December 20, 1932; he proudly 7 served in the U.S. Army; he married Phyllis Schreck on July 5, 8 1953; and 9 WHEREAS, Ralph Appel worked in maintenance at several places before retiring from the Rock Island Arsenal; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Ralph Appel was a member of St. Matthew Lutheran 12 Church in Milan and the Milan American Legion Post #569; and WHEREAS, Ralph Appel was an avid gardener; and 13 WHEREAS, Ralph Appel was preceded in death by his wife; 14 his parents; his sons-in-law, Wesley Matter and Steve Evans; 15 16 and his siblings, Julene Knouse and William Appel Jr.; and 17 WHEREAS, Ralph Appel is survived by his children, Janet 18 Matter, Patsy Holland, William "Bill" (Mary) Appel, and Roger 19 (Wendy) Appel; seven grandchildren; several

- 1 great-grandchildren; and his sister, Wilma Jean Schubert;
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 5 Ralph F. Appel and extend our sincere condolences to his
- family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 7 further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the family of Ralph Appel as an expression of our
- 10 deepest sympathy.