## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives were
- 3 saddened to learn of the death of Frank H. Boyne of
- 4 Belleville on Wednesday, March 19, 2003; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Boyne was born on December 29, 1923 in East
- 6 St. Louis to Patrick A. and Johanna C., nee Healy, Boyne; he
- 7 enlisted in the U.S. Navy on the day that he was of age,
- 8 December 29, 1941; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Boyne valiantly served his country in the
- 10 U.S. Navy submarine corps; he served on the submarine USS
- 11 Bumper in the Pacific Theatre during World War II; he was on
- 12 the regional naval boxing team and had an undefeated amateur
- 13 career; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Following his honorable discharge, Mr. Boyne
- 15 fought one professional boxing match; it was a victory and he
- 16 retired undefeated; he will be remembered as someone who
- 17 never picked a fight, never backed down from a fight, and
- 18 never lost a fight; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Boyne was a machinist and worked until he
- 20 retired from the St. Louis Post Dispatch in 1986; he was a
- 21 member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, a Bishop Zuroweste
- 22 Assembly Fourth Degree member of Knights of Columbus Council
- 23 592, the International Association of Mechanists, the
- 24 American Legion, and the Disabled Veterans; he was a former
- 25 Boy Scout leader and an active member of Blessed Sacrament
- 26 Parish; he was a member of the Belleville Democratic Club and
- 27 a lifelong member of the Democratic Party; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Boyne was elected to serve as Belleville
- 29 city alderman in 1979 and was elected to the St. Clair County
- 30 Board in 1982, where he served for over 20 years; he was
- 31 appointed St. Clair County Board vice-chairman and devoted

- 1 his life to the betterment of St. Clair County; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Boyne will be remembered as a family man;
- 3 his family was his passion; his passing has been deeply felt
- 4 by all who knew him, especially his wife of 51 years, Mary
- 5 M., nee Downey, Boyne; his four children, John Boyne, Kevin
- 6 Boyne, Maureen (Dennis) Munch, and Terrance Boyne; his seven
- 7 grandchildren, Christopher, Zachary, Madelyn, Augie, and
- 8 Alexander Boyne, and Courtney and Colin Munch; his
- 9 brother-in-law, Ernest Blaise; and his nieces, nephews,
- 10 cousins, and many dear friends; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 13 we mourn the passing of Frank H. Boyne and extend to his
- 14 family and friends our sincere condolences; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Frank H. Boyne as a token of our
- 17 deepest sympathy.