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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Dr. Donald Walden Anderson of Aurora on Tuesday, March 25, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson was born on October 12, 1919 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Karl Wesley and Adah (Waldee) Anderson; he lived in Waterman with his parents and then moved to Newark, Ohio; and

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WHEREAS, He graduated from Newark High School and went on to attend Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio, where he completed his undergraduate studies and earned a pilot's license; he then went on to study at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio; he interned in Detroit, Michigan, at Harper Hospital; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson spent many of his summers on his aunt and uncle's farm in Waterman; during those summers, he developed a love for farming and nature; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson married Lera Ellen Hart on May 8, 1943 in Dover, Ohio; shortly after his marriage, he was called to serve his country during World War II as a captain in the Army Medical Corps, spending part of his tour in Germany; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson moved his family from Ohio to Illinois and enjoyed over 50 years practicing medicine until his retirement in 1997; he belonged to the American Academy of Family Practice, the Kane County Medical Society, and the American Medical Association; he served as Chief of Staff of Copley Memorial Hospital, now Rush-Copley Medical Center; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson was a longtime member of Wesley United Methodist Church where he enjoyed singing in the choir; he was also a member of the Union League Club of

1 Aurora, the Aurora Sportsman's Club, and the National Rifle
2 Association; he belonged to the Aurora Country Club and was
3 an early supporter of the Fox Valley Symphony; and

4 WHEREAS, The passing of Dr. Donald Walden Anderson has
5 been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Lera; his
6 daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Ron and Judy Wenger and their
7 children, Clayton (Jamie) Wenger and Lera Wenger; his
8 daughter and son-in-law, Andrew and Kristi Thompson and their
9 children, Lera and Mark Thompson; his son and
10 daughter-in-law, David and Diane Anderson and their daughter,
11 Carrie Reichold; and his daughter and son-in-law, Ralph and
12 Nancy Lary and their children, Leon and Ros Lary; therefore,
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14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing
16 of Dr. Donald Walden Anderson and extend our sincere and
17 deepest sympathy to his family and friends; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Dr. Anderson as an expression of
20 our condolences.