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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 their former colleague, John E. "Jack" Cassidy, Jr. of Peoria on Wednesday, June 25, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy was born on July 22, 1924, in Peoria to John E. Sr. and Susan Casey Cassidy; he married Helen Fagan on June 25, 1952 in Terre Haute, Indiana; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy valiantly served his country during World War II in the U.S. Navy; he was a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and the University of Illinois Law School; he was a partner at Cassidy and Mueller Law Firm in Peoria; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy was a member of the Illinois House of Representatives from 1965 to 1969 and was chosen Outstanding Freshman Legislator; he was a member and chairman of the Illinois Crime Commission from 1968 to 1970; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy was a member of the Peoria County Bar Association and the Illinois State Bar Association; he was a fellow with the American College of Trial Lawyers and the Illinois Bar Foundation; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy was active in his community as a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Peoria, where he was a former trustee; he was a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Spalding Council 427, and fourth degree member of Spalding Assembly 206; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy was a founder and member of St. Patrick Society; he was director of the SLG Cohen Foundation; he served as a trustee of the Peoria Park District from 1957 to 1965 and as president of the Association of Park Districts in 1962; and

1 WHEREAS, The passing of John E. "Jack" Cassidy, Jr. has
2 been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Helen (Fagan)
3 Cassidy; his daughters, Katie (and Brian) O'Malley, Casey
4 (and Greg) Bobbitt, Mary (and Brian) Burns, and Colleen (and
5 Jim) Waller; his sons, John III (and Teresa), Tim (and
6 Angie), Drew (and Ellen), Jim (and Karen), and Chris (and
7 Nancie); his sisters, Susie Walsh and Diane Jamison; his
8 brothers, Thomas, Owen (and Becky), and Doug (and Kathy); and
9 his 28 grandchildren; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing
12 of John E. "Jack" Cassidy, Jr., and we extend our deepest
13 sympathy to his friends, family, and all who knew and loved
14 him; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of John E. "Jack" Cassidy, Jr. as an
17 expression of our sincere condolences.