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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of the Reverend Orrin M. Anderson of Godfrey on Thursday, March 24, 2005; and

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WHEREAS, He was born April 8, 1920, on a farm near Appam, North Dakota, to John and Blenda (Kron) Anderson; he married the former Myra L. Wright on July 7, 1945, in Collingdale, Pennsylvania; and

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WHEREAS, Reverend Anderson graduated from Sioux Falls Baptist College, Bethel Baptist College in Minneapolis, and Eastern Baptist Seminary in Philadelphia; his ministry of 59 years began in Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Illinois before moving to Alton, where he served 27 years as pastor at the First Baptist Church in Alton; and

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WHEREAS, After his retirement, he served as an interim pastor at many churches in the area; he was a member of the national board of the American Baptist Convention in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, a board member of the Salvation Army in Alton, and past board member of Shurtleff College in Alton; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of the Reverend Orrin M. Anderson has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Myra; his daughter, Elaine Hovey, and her husband, James; his sons, Lief Anderson and his wife, Diane, and Erick Anderson and his wife, Chris; his grandchildren, Matt Anderson and Renee Anderson, Colin Anderson and Kara Anderson, Nicole Beatty and her husband, Tim, and Gretchen Andridge and her husband, Mike; his great-grandchildren, Vincent Beatty and Hollyn Beatty; and his sister, Mae Belle Goudy; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

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1 the Reverend Orrin M. Anderson, and we extend our deepest  
2 sympathy to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
3 him; and be it further

4       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
5 presented to his family as an expression of our sincere  
6 condolences.