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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of David Crum Sinclair, mayor of Virginia, Illinois, on Friday, March 3, 2006; and

WHEREAS, He was born on April 17, 1929, in Virginia to Harry Watson and Rena Crum Sinclair; he married Lois Ann Nottingham in 1948, and he later married Lena Turner on February 14, 1991, in Gulf Shores, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sinclair graduated from Virginia High School in the class of 1947; he was an active businessman from a young age operating a restaurant, an international truck dealership, and an auto repair shop; he was well known for his 50 years of owning and operating Dave's S & G Auto Parts in Virginia where he specialized in rebuilding carburetors; and

WHEREAS, A devoted community servant, he was currently serving his fifteenth year as mayor of Virginia; during his tenure, Mayor Sinclair was instrumental in the construction of a new City Hall, completion of a water pipeline from the Sangamon River, and expanding the city sewer service to include the entire city; he was a staunch promoter of the Jim Edgar-Panther Creek State Park, which was his favorite spot for his pastime of fishing; and

WHEREAS, He was well known for his sense of humor and his 38 year commitment as a friend of Bill W.; he had served his community as an emergency medical technician for ten years, as a member of the Virginia Volunteer Fire Department for ten years, and a member of the Virginia Kiwanis Club; he was a member of the Virginia Lodge #544 AF&AM, Jacksonville Elks Lodge #682, and an active member of Virginia United Methodist Church; he maintained a private pilot's license for several years, and he was devoted to his family and his special dog,

1 Hans; and

2 WHEREAS, The passing of David Crum Sinclair has been deeply
3 felt by many, especially his wife, Lena; his daughters, Bonnie
4 Herrin (husband, Steve), Kathy Wzientek (husband, Tony), Coni
5 Cox (husband, Dale), and Mary Ann Brockhouse (husband, Ron);
6 his stepson, Cliff Hancock (wife, Denise); his stepdaughters,
7 Marti Galbreth (husband, Alan) and Janice Worley (husband,
8 Roger); his grandchildren, Amy Herrin, Brian Herrin (wife,
9 Angela), Zachary Herrin, David Miller (wife, Barbie), Veronica
10 Bjorkman (husband, Andy), Kaydee Grace Cox, Ross Brockhouse
11 (fiancé, Sarah Wiese), Brett Brockhouse, B.J. Galbreth,
12 Christopher Galbreth (wife, Missy), Colten and Ryan Hancock,
13 and Jennifer and Nathan Worley; his five great-grandchildren;
14 his sister, Jean Devlin; and his numerous nieces and nephews;
15 he was preceded in death by his sister, Frances Ann Mefford;
16 and his brothers, John Albert Sinclair, Arthur Watson Sinclair,
17 and M. Crum Sinclair; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Mayor David Sinclair, and we extend our sincere condolences to
21 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
22 further

23 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
24 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
25 sympathy.