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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Virgil Kassing, village clerk of Caseyville, on Wednesday, March 15, 2006; and

WHEREAS, He was born in January of 1940 and had a memorable sense of humor and liked to tell stories; he liked helping people and cared about the kids of Unit 10; and

WHEREAS, He retired from the Collinsville School District after decades as a high school teacher and counselor then served eight years on the school board, four as president; he stepped down in 2003 and had been Caseyville's village clerk ever since; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kassing was a founder of the Unit 10 Credit Union, which operated out of a 600-square-foot space in his home for years before moving into its building in 2000; he served on the St. Clair County Board and was a former volunteer firefighter; and

WHEREAS, In addition to working at the credit union, Mr. Kassing was active in Faith in Action, an interfaith initiative in which volunteers help the elderly and those with long-term health-care needs with such things as meals, grocery shopping, and rides to the doctor; he took communion to nursing homes and was part of many local organizations; he loved to play Texas Hold 'Em poker; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Virgil Kassing has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Frances Kassing; his sons, Steven and Marc Kassing; his daughter, Leslee Kassing; and his twin brother and four sisters; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 Virgil Kassing, and we extend our sincere condolences to his
3 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
7 sympathy.