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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Reverend Roman Galiardi of Lisle, Illinois, who passed away on November 26, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, Stephen Galiardi was born in Cleveland, Ohio; he attended St. Abbey's Benedictine High School; in 1948 he enrolled at St. Procopius College in Lisle, where he was manager of the football, basketball, and baseball teams, as well as editor of the student newspaper; and

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WHEREAS, He entered the monastic community in 1951 and professed his vows six years later, taking the name Roman; and

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WHEREAS, In 1959 Reverend Galiardi received a license in canon law at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.; he received a Master's degree in clinical psychology in 1960; in 1961 he received his doctorate in canon law at Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, Italy; and

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WHEREAS, He returned to St. Procopius College, teaching psychology at the college and canon law at the seminary; he held other positions, including athletic director, dean of admissions, and academic dean, before serving as president of the college from 1965 to 1971; and

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1           WHEREAS, Reverend Galiardi oversaw the change of direction  
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3           Illinois Benedictine College; in 1996 it was renamed  
4           Benedictine University; and

5           WHEREAS, Reverend Galiardi also served Sacred Heart  
6           College in Wichita, Kansas as its president, St. Joan of Arc  
7           Catholic Church in Lisle as its pastor for fifteen years, and  
8           as prior, or leading assistant, at St. Procopius Abbey; and

9           WHEREAS, Reverend Galiardi is survived by his sisters, Jean  
10          Antoskiewicz, Donna Escavage, and Rosalind Homolka; therefore,  
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12          RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL  
13          ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we extend our  
14          condolences to the family and friends of Reverend Roman  
15          Galiardi; and be it further

16          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17          presented to the family of Reverend Galiardi.