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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 Paul F. Hoffman, who passed away on December 13, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman was a veteran of World War II; as a member of the Army Air Corps, he served as a B-24 bomber captain, leading his crew through 50 combat missions; and

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WHEREAS, After World War II, Paul Hoffman attended Iowa State University, earning his undergraduate degree in forestry; he was awarded the first doctoral degree in plant pathology in Iowa State's history; while attending college, he met his future wife, Jane, whom he married in 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman was dedicated to the cause of plant health; he served as president of Michigan Chemical; after moving his family to Barrington, he joined Velsicol Chemical in Chicago, becoming the company's chairman; he served as a board member of Citizens for Conservation in Barrington for 10 years and served as the organization's president; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman was an active member in his community; he served on the Barrington Plan Commission and the Lake County Zoning Board of Appeals; he was also an active

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1 supporter of the Boy Scouts, taking Scouts on various trips and
2 procuring land in Woodstock to be used as a camp; and

3 WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman was well known for his love of the
4 outdoors; he especially enjoyed taking his family to their
5 property in the Ozark Mountains, working in his yard, and
6 cutting and pruning his trees; and

7 WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman was preceded in death by his wife,
8 Jane; and

9 WHEREAS, Paul Hoffman is survived by his children, Betsy
10 Rubak, Mark (Maureen) Hoffman, Lynn (Calvin), and Marcy (Kris)
11 Ludington; and his eight grandchildren; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
14 his family and friends, the passing of Paul Hoffman; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Paul Hoffman as an expression of our
18 sympathy.