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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 Lyman M. Jensen of Galesburg, who passed away on October 18, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen was born on October 12, 1941, in Iron Mountain, Michigan; he was the son of Russell and Dorothy (Cole) Jensen; he married Bonnie Olson, who preceded him in death in 1974; he married Connie L. Rouland Landon on June 22, 1976, in Galesburg; and

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WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen was an Eagle Scout and the valedictorian of the Goodman High School Class of 1959; he then graduated from Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan in 1964 with a degree in civil engineering; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from college, Lyman Jensen began working with the Colorado Department of Transportation; he was hired as a Civil Engineer for the City of Galesburg in 1971 and was promoted to the position of Director of Public Works in 1977; he also served 4 terms as the Acting City Manager; he retired from the City of Galesburg in 2000; and

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WHEREAS, During his 30 years of dedicated service, Lyman Jensen was involved with a number of projects for the City of

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1 Galesburg, including the Farnham Street and County Highway 10
2 Bridges, Linwood Road, Carl Sandburg Drive, the Losey Street
3 Subway, the additional wells at Oquawka, the standby generators
4 at Oquawka and Galesburg, the purchase and clearance of the
5 Manyx Property at Lake Storey, the Bike Path around Lake
6 Storey, and many improvements to Bunker Links; and

7 WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen was a member of the Sunrise Rotary
8 Club, the City of Galesburg Planning Commission, the Railroad
9 Days Committee, the National Society of Professional Civil
10 Engineers, the American Public Works Association, the American
11 Water Works Association, and the Illinois Municipal League
12 Public Works Committee; he also served as a volunteer for the
13 United Way, the Chamber Environment Task Force, the Streets and
14 Highways Committee, Christmas in April, and Adopt-a-Park; he
15 was the recipient of the Tom Herring Award for his many years
16 of dedicated community service; and

17 WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen enjoyed fishing, woodworking,
18 attending his grandchildren's sporting events, and watching
19 the Green Bay Packers; and

20 WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen was preceded in death by his sister,
21 Agnes Cross, and his first wife; and

22 WHEREAS, Lyman Jensen is survived by his wife, Connie; his

1 children, Mrs. Steve (Lori) Dredge, Lana Almaguer, Mrs. Jeff
2 (Sherri) Kremer, and Mike (Lori) Landon; his brother, Norman
3 (Carol) Jensen; his 7 grandchildren; his 2 step-grandchildren;
4 and 2 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
7 his family and friends, the passing of Lyman M. Jensen; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Lyman Jensen as an expression of our
11 sympathy.