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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 Donald R. Herson of Stephenson, Michigan, formerly of North Chicago, who passed away on October 27, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on Mother's Day, May 8, 1938, in Menominee, Michigan; he graduated from Menominee High School in 1956; after high school, he moved to North Chicago, where he married Sally Brown and raised his family; and

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WHEREAS, He volunteered for the North Chicago Fire Department and worked full time for the Waukegan News Sun; he was a member of the Jaycees and dabbled in North Chicago politics; he founded Vogue Printers in the mid 1960s; he successfully made a career in the printing field and retired in the early 1990s; and

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WHEREAS, He was adventurous and was able to participate in the Great American Race, a cross country road rally, for 3 years, once in a 1931 Rolls Royce and twice in his favored 1924 Seagrave Fire truck; he enjoyed working on his class reunions, where he was blessed to have met his present wife, Lois; they married in 2004; and

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1 WHEREAS, He returned to Stephenson, Michigan upon
2 retirement and enjoyed traveling the world and spending winters
3 in Sun City West, Arizona, hunting at The Farm and his passion
4 for antique automobiles; he recently accepted the Lord as His
5 Savior and spent his last days surrounded by loving family and
6 supportive friends; and

7 WHEREAS, Donald Herson is survived by his amazing wife,
8 Lois; his previous wife, Sally; his children, Tamilyn Beckner,
9 Valerie Grosskopf, Sherri (Art) Arizmendi, Brian (Kathy), and
10 Jef; his grandchildren, Allen and Jennifer Beckner, Brad and
11 Eric Grosskopf, Katie, Tony, Heather, and Kevin Herson, and
12 Artie, Andrew, Alex, Anakin, and Aiden Arizmendi; his
13 son-in-law, Ray Beckner; his special sons, Alan Kalinoski and
14 Mark Jasper; and his special friends, Paul Bromund and Ted
15 Richter; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
18 his family and friends, the passing of Donald Herson; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Donald Herson as a symbol of our
22 sincere sympathy.