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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 Joseph J. Berardi of Canton, who passed away on June 21, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was born on February 14, 1938, in Pekin; his parents were Joseph and Emogene (Monroe) Berardi; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi graduated from Pekin High School in 1956, where he played many sports; he subsequently attended Spoon River College, Sangamon State University, and Western Illinois University; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi served with pride and distinction in the United States Air Force for 4 years; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was employed as a home builder with his father's construction company for many years; he later worked as an entrepreneur and a sales consultant in the recycling industry for small businesses and Fortune 500 companies; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi served on the Fulton County Board for 4 years and the Canton City Council for 4 years; and

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1 WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi enjoyed slow pitch softball, golf,
2 boat racing, flying his plane, woodworking, landscaping,
3 designing creations from brick and stone, politics, traveling,
4 and cooking for and entertaining his friends and family; and

5 WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was preceded in death by his
6 parents and his sister, Betty Lou Petri; and

7 WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi is survived by his wife, Deborah
8 (Mayhew) Berardi; his daughters, Lane (Kevin) Hampton and Lana
9 Berardi; his grandchildren, L, K, J, and M Hampton; and his
10 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
13 his family and friends, the passing of Joseph J. Berardi; and
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Joseph Berardi as an expression of
17 our sympathy.