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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply
3 saddened to learn of the death of Gerald "Jerry" E. Sewell, who
4 passed away on November 8, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Gerald Sewell was born in Alton on July 8, 1933,
6 to George and Celestine (Noblitt) Sewell; he married Margie
7 Crayne in September of 1955 and, following her death, Nancy
8 Massar in September of 2004; and

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10 WHEREAS, Gerald Sewell served his country in the U.S. Army
11 and was an active member of VFW Post 1308 in Alton; he was also
12 a scoutmaster and a member of the Evangelical United Church of
13 Christ, the Alton Municipal Band, the Bunker Hill Kiwanis Club,
14 Shriner's International-York Rite Bodies, Franklin Masonic
15 Lodge No. 25 AF & AM, the Alton Area Antique Association, and
the Alton Salvation Army; and

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17 WHEREAS, Gerald Sewell was preceded in death by his
18 parents, George and Celestine Sewell; his first wife, Margie
Crayne; and his brother, George W. Sewell; and

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20 WHEREAS, Gerald Sewell is survived by his second wife,
21 Nancy Massar; his son, William "Bill" (Dionne) Sewell; his
sister, Sandy Strohmeier; his brother-in-law, Ray (Julie)

1 Massar; and several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Gerald Sewell, and extend our sincere condolences to his
5 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Gerald Sewell as an expression of
9 our deepest sympathy.