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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 W. "Don" Damewood of Champaign, who passed away on February 6, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Damewood graduated from Champaign Central High School, where he played football and served as treasurer for his class reunions for many years; and

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WHEREAS, After graduation, Donald Damewood joined the United States Navy, where he served for several years in the Navy's Submarine Force on the USS Bugara; and

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WHEREAS, After his discharge from the Navy, Donald Damewood joined the Champaign Fire Department in June of 1957, serving as an engineer at Champaign Firefighters Local 1260 for 25 years until his retirement; he was a leader in both the local and State firefighters associations and worked tirelessly for the department's Firefighters Pension Fund; he was also an Emeritus Officer and a Central District Trustee for the Associated Firefighters of Illinois and was elected to serve as a trustee at the 16th Biennial Convention in Danville in 1966; he served as a Trustee until 1982; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Damewood was a member of the American

1 Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Humane Society of the  
2 United States; he was also an active member of the Elks Club  
3 for over 60 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Donald Damewood enjoyed cooking and reading; and

5 WHEREAS, Donald Damewood was preceded in death by his  
6 sisters, Betty Ayers and Dorothy Nesmith, and his wife, Pat  
7 Damewood; and

8 WHEREAS, Donald Damewood is survived by his son, Keith  
9 Lustig and his life-partner, Matt Hurley, and recent companion,  
10 Barbara Bender; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
13 family and friends, mourn the passing of Donald W. "Don"  
14 Damewood; and be it further

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