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1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16
2 BY REDFERN and HARPER
3 A Resolution designating the Grout Museum of History
4 and Science as the official repository of artifacts
5 related to the Sullivan Brothers.
6 WHEREAS, George Thomas, Francis Henry, Joseph
7 Eugene, Madison Abel, and Albert Leo Sullivan,
8 formerly of Waterloo, Iowa, joined the United States
9 Navy January 3, 1942; and
10 WHEREAS, the five brothers were permitted by the
11 Navy to serve together on the light cruiser USS
12 Juneau; and
13 WHEREAS, all five brothers, along with over 700
14 other men, were lost at sea during the Battle of
15 Guadalcanal, when the USS Juneau was struck by an
16 enemy torpedo on November 13, 1942; and
17 WHEREAS, the loss of these five brothers was the
18 largest loss suffered by one family in a single
19 engagement during World War II; and
20 WHEREAS, Thomas and Alleta Able Sullivan and their
21 daughter Genevieve Sullivan Davidson set aside their
22 private grief and devoted over a year of patriotic
23 duty to the recruiting efforts of the United States
24 Navy; and
25 WHEREAS, the United States Navy has named two ships
26 in honor of the Sullivan brothers; and
27 WHEREAS, the Grout Museum of History and Science is
28 in possession of tangible artifacts and archival
29 material belonging to and related to the Sullivan
30 brothers; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Fighting Sullivans from Waterloo,
2 Iowa, are known throughout the world, and exemplify
3 the ideals of self-sacrifice and patriotism; NOW
4 THEREFORE,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Grout Museum
6 of History and Science of Waterloo, Iowa, is
7 recognized as the official repository of all tangible
8 artifacts and archival material relating to the
9 Sullivan brothers.

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