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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE
ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
CARL A. OSTERMAN

Mr. President, members of the Allen County Bar Association and friends.

The march of time brings greetings and farewells, and once again we must say "good-bye" to one of our venerable colleagues. Carl A. Osterman died on September 14, 1977. He was eighty-six years old.

Carl Osterman was born in Seymour, Indiana on February 7, 1891. His primary and secondary education was in Seymour, and he received his college degrees from Indiana University, an A. B. in 1916 and an L.L.B. in 1917, 60 years ago. He also took additional and post graduate work at the Yale University Law School. Following World War I, in which he served the army as an infantry lieutenant, he came to Fort Wayne and embarked on a long and effective legal career.

Mr. Osterman served as this association's first secretary and treasurer back in 1920. He retired in 1973 and his last professional association was with the firm of Osterman and Busic.

That great expanse in between, as we reckon human time, was filled with years of loyalty to his clients and colleagues; steady and worthwhile legal services rendered, interest in and devotion to his church, his community, service and fraternal groups, and of course, this association. We should note that he was a member and Deacon of Trinity English Lutheran Church, President of the Jefferson Club (Carl was a lifetime democrat), Past President of the Last Man's Club, Founder of the

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Lakeside Community Association, and a member of the American Legion, and the Brown County Art Association.

Mr. Osterman was especially devoted to his family; he was truly a loving husband and father, and many of us recall his desolation at the loss of his wife, Talitha, several years ago.

As suggested, Mr. Osterman was a good, solid, capable and hard working lawyer, pledged, in an old fashioned courtly and dignified way, to his best performance in the career he espoused.

Carl was sometimes gruff, but seldom contentious. His word was good. He was kind to and helpful to young lawyers. He was proud of his ancestral heritage. With his skill in language, he assisted in building the bridge of communication between the law and the local German community of several generations ago.

Mr. Osterman loved gardening and flowers, and especially his roses. It is interesting that he lived for many years on Lake Avenue, just across from the rose garden, whose beauty is at its height this year, this season, this week.

Carl Osterman was a responsible and honorable person, a good personal and professional example for all of us. He shall be missed.

He left surviving him his daughter, Mrs. Howard Gish of Brookston and two sisters, both of Seymour. To them we extend our sympathy and reassurance that we shall remember.

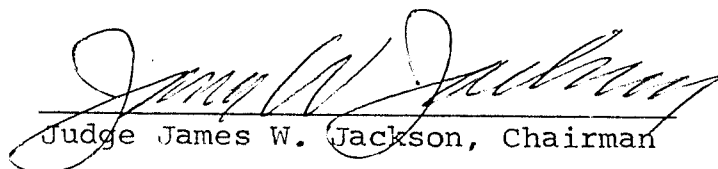
Mr. President, I move that this resolution be adopted as a memorial tribute to Carl A. Osterman; that the

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adoption of the resolution be made a matter of record in the order books of the Courts of Allen County; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his family.

WITNESS our hand and seal this 19th day of
September, 1977.

Respectfully submitted,
The Allen County Bar Association
Memorial Resolution Committee


Judge James W. Jackson, Chairman

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