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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 Derek Robert Caskey of Marengo, who passed away on January 17, 2017 at the age of 20; and

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WHEREAS, Derek Caskey was born in Barrington to Patrick K. and Rae (Henderson) Caskey on January 4, 1997; he was a 2015 graduate of Marengo Community High School where he was an avid football player and held a 3.5 GPA; he was a member of the Illinois High School Association All State Academic Football Team, an All Conference Wrestler, and Unanimous All Conference for Football; at the time of his passing, he was a student-athlete at Central College in Pella, Iowa, where he was a member of the football team as an offensive lineman; and

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WHEREAS, Derek Caskey was a true Star Wars fan and sketch artist; he enjoyed football, fishing, hunting, and golf; he also enjoyed his dad's home-cooked meals, and his grandma's mac-and-cheese; he loved spending time with his cat, Bertha, his puppy, Rhino, and his dog, Butkus; and

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WHEREAS, Derek Caskey was preceded in death by his grandparents, Robert and Joyce Caskey, and Roger and Julia Henderson; and his uncle, Tim Caskey; and

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1           WHEREAS, Derek Caskey is survived by his parents, Patrick  
2           and Rae Caskey; and his brother, Zachariah (Jennifer) Caskey;  
3           he was a loving nephew and cousin to many; therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
5           ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
6           Derek Robert Caskey, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
7           family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
8           further

9           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10          presented to the family of Derek Caskey as an expression of our  
11          deepest sympathy.