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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 Ralph L. McCoy of Moline, who passed away on April 30, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Ralph McCoy was born in Letts, Iowa to Clarence and Delia Goodwin McCoy on July 12, 1926; he served in the United States Navy during World War II at age 17 and married Muriel Christensen in Moline on April 15, 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Ralph McCoy was a locomotive engineer for the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad for 45 years and was a driver for MetroLINK for eight years; and

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WHEREAS, Ralph McCoy enjoyed watching Westerns, going to the casino, watching his daughter perform in the Quad City Symphony, and eating biscuits and gravy from Flip's Pancake House; he was a fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes, the Chicago Cubs, and the Chicago Bears; most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Ralph McCoy was preceded in death by his wife, Muriel; his sisters, Verna and Wanda; his brother, Glen; and his grandson, Jeff VanOteghem; and

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1 WHEREAS, Ralph McCoy is survived by his children, Linda
2 (Gary) VanOteghem, Robert (Margaret) McCoy, and Lesa (Thomas
3 "Tim") Bishop; his grandchildren, Steven and David VanOteghem,
4 Daniel McCoy, and Anna Elizabeth Bishop; his
5 step-grandchildren, Matthew and Kristen Fitzpatrick, and Sam
6 and Jody Fitzpatrick; his great-grandchildren, Alyssa,
7 Jessica, Kyle, and Gabriella; his great-great-grandchildren,
8 Eden, Lucy, and Avery; and his beloved dog, Trixie; therefore,
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Ralph L. McCoy, and extend our sincere condolences to his
13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
14 further

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