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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 Joseph Metzger of Johnsbury, who passed away on April 24, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Metzger was born in Pomaz, Hungary to Stefan Metzger and Rosa Weiszhar on January 24, 1928; his bride to be, Elizabeth Harrer, immigrated to the United States from Germany in 1950 and Joseph did so the following year; he married Elizabeth at St. Mary Catholic Church in McHenry on January 26, 1952; he rebuilt a summer cottage in Johnsbury into their home, in which they resided for almost 60 years; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Metzger first worked as a bricklayer and plasterer for Ted Pitzen for many years; he was later employed by Great Lakes Naval Base as a plasterer until his retirement; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Metzger was a Sunnyside Village Trustee and was active at St. John the Baptist Church in Johnsbury; he had many hobbies as a younger man, including stamp collecting, calligraphy, leather work, cartooning, and woodworking; in his later years, his greatest interest and joy came from genealogy and his family; and

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1           WHEREAS, Joseph Metzger was preceded in death by his wife,  
2 Elizabeth, and his brother-in-law, Lorenz Bayer; and

3           WHEREAS, Joseph Metzger is survived by his children, John  
4 (Candace) Metzger, Paul (Donna) Metzger, and Maria (Roger)  
5 Zawacki; his grandchildren, Emily and Erich Zawacki, Matthew  
6 and Margaret Metzger, and Mallory (Matthew) Boyd; and his  
7 sister, Theresia Bayer and her extended family; therefore, be  
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9           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
11 Joseph Metzger, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
12 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
13 further

14           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Joseph Metzger as an expression of  
16 our deepest sympathy.