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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 Richard George "Dick" Steeves of Mahomet, who passed away on May 26, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Steeves was born in St. Stephens, New Brunswick, Canada to George and Verna Steeves on June 14, 1939; he was raised in Agawam, Massachusetts and married Christa (Glassmyer) Sullivan in Hampton, Virginia on December 10, 1970; he served in the United States Army for over 20 years and was a highly-decorated officer; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Steeves spent time in Texas before moving to Champaign, where he was an executive for the Southland Corporation for a decade and a half; upon retirement, he served as a consultant for the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., traveling to the Baltics and Russia; he was also the owner of RGS Tax Services; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Steeves was a stoic and virtuous man who loved to travel; he valued the love of family most of all; he held many committee and church positions in the Champaign County area and was an avid fan of the Dallas Cowboys; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Steeves was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his daughter, Virginia Ann Sherman; his  
2 granddaughter, Hannah Faith Wirth; and his sister, Pam Vatrano;  
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4 WHEREAS, Richard Steeves is survived by his wife, Christa;  
5 his sister, Marie Foster; his children, grandchildren, and  
6 great-grandchildren: son, Dennis Steeves (wife, Darlene, and  
7 sons, Anton and Richard); daughter, Shirley Hart (husband,  
8 Paul, and children, Andy Hart and Megan, married to Adam Pani);  
9 daughter, Kathleen Wirth-Couch (husband, Barry, and children,  
10 Miranda, married to Blake Drollinger, and TJ Wirth, to be  
11 married to Megan); grandson, Tony Sherman, married to Ashley;  
12 granddaughter, Teresa Sherman; and grandson, Travis Sherman,  
13 married to Lize-Mari; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
16 Richard George "Dick" Steeves, and extend our sincere  
17 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
18 him; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Richard Steeves as an expression of  
21 our deepest sympathy.