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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 Furio "Rio" Richmond Faulkner, who passed away on August 30, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Rio Faulkner was born in Springfield to Jacob and Lindsay (Horn) Faulkner on January 27, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Rio Faulkner enjoyed watching movies at the drive-in and videos on his iPad and tiny TV, including Thomas the Train, Paw Patrol, and Cars; he loved music, balloons, pumpkins, Halloween, and the Christmas tree lights and train; his favorite foods were grapes, popcorn, and scrambled eggs; and

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WHEREAS, Rio Faulkner loved his family and the special bond they shared; he had a special gift of touching the hearts of everyone who knew him, and he could put a smile on the face of anyone he met; despite his life-long struggles, he was the happiest, sweetest, and most caring boy, who was always concerned about the wellbeing of others; and

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WHEREAS, Rio Faulkner was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, John W. and Alice R. Horn; his great-grandma Murphy; and his cousins, Ryne and Patrick

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2 WHEREAS, Rio Faulkner is survived by his parents; his
3 sisters, Madelyn Dobron and Phoenix Faulkner; his brothers,
4 Flash and Varro Faulkner; his grandparents, Alan and Gail Horn,
5 James Faulkner, Carolin Faulkner (Patrice Brooks); his uncles,
6 Brian (Tara) Horn, Adam (Brittany Downs) Horn, and Nick (Beth)
7 Faulkner; his aunt, Lynn Sheehan; and his cousins, Austen,
8 Carley, Evan, Lily, Harrison, Emma, Erin, Christine, Rylyn,
9 Daniel, Erika, and Ethan; therefore, 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 Furio "Rio" Richmond Faulkner, and extend our sincere
13 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
14 him; and be it further

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