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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 Francisco Cruz Sr. of Rock Island, who passed away on September 10, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Francisco Cruz was born in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico to Manual Cruz and Felicia Velazquez on October 1, 1954; and

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WHEREAS, Francisco Cruz served 11 years in the United States Air Force as an aircraft electrician and then transferred to the Department of Defense working at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station and Rock Island Arsenal; and

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WHEREAS, Francisco Cruz was active in his church and served the community through outreach and by playing the guitar on the worship team; he loved his family, fishing, and baseball; he showed respect to everyone he met; he left a loving legacy that will live on in his children and grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Francisco Cruz was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Juan and William; his sisters, Isabel and Estervia; and his son, Manuel; and

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WHEREAS, Francisco Cruz is survived by his wife of 39

1 years, Bonnie; his daughter, Andrea (Gilbert) Gallegos; his
2 son, Francisco (Tara) Cruz Jr.; his grandchildren, Emma,
3 Ysabella, Christian, Benicio, Ashton, Noah, Luca, Isaiah, and
4 Luis; his brother, Marcelino (Noemi) Cruz; and his sisters,
5 Georgia Perez and Margarita Rivera; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Francisco Cruz Sr., and extend our sincere condolences to his
9 friends, family, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Francisco Cruz as an expression of
13 our deepest sympathy.