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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of William "Bill" J. Traynor of Pleasant 4 Prairie, Wisconsin, formerly of Waukegan, who passed away on 5 September 17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Bill Traynor was born in Waukegan to Robert and Alice (Thompson) Traynor on November 30, 1946; he graduated from Waukegan High School in 1964; he went on to receive his bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University in 1969, and he later pursued graduate studies at Roosevelt University; and

WHEREAS, Bill Traynor was drafted into the United States Army as a military police sergeant and served in Korea; he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service; upon separation from the service, he was employed as district manager for the Chicago Tribune before becoming a probation officer for Lake County, where he instituted the Public Service Program as an alternative to incarceration while providing needed services to the community; as the first program of its kind in Illinois, it received a National Association of Counties (NACO) award; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Bill Traynor worked part time for many businesses, including Knox Real Estate, Grand Slam Pub,

- 1 The Bally Muck, Victory Hospital, and the Waukegan Port
- 2 District; he served as production manager and graphic artist at
- 3 Signs Now for over 20 years and retired in 2010; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Bill Traynor loved sports and played softball, 5 football, and basketball on college intramural teams and later 6 for the park district; he was a lifelong fan of the Chicago 7 Cubs and the Bears; he enjoyed the outdoors, biking, fishing, 8 hiking, and camping; he was a longtime member of Memorial 9 United Methodist Church of Zion and sang in the Chancel Choir for many years; most recently, he attended services at 10 11 Northpoint Church in Winthrop Harbor; he celebrated 30 years of 12 sobriety and mentored many recovering alcoholics over the years; he loved road trips and family vacations; above all, 1.3 14 faith and family were his passions; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Bill Traynor was preceded in death by his parents; 16 and his son, Jason Traynor; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Bill Traynor is survived by his wife, Marjory; his Traynor and Andrew (Holly) Traynor; 18 Son Ok his 19 stepdaughter, Sara (Brandon) Martin; his stepson, 20 Wicketts; his sisters, Carol (Dick) Paddock and Roberta (John) Daly; his grandsons, Finnegan and Colin Traynor and Bane 21 Martin; his granddaughters, Emily and Shelby Wargo and Briseis 22 23 Wicketts; and his many nieces, nephews, brothers,

- 1 sisters-in-law, and dear friends; therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 4 William "Bill" J. Traynor, and extend our sincere condolences
- 5 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
- 6 it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the family of Bill Traynor as an expression of our
- 9 deepest sympathy.