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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 Mike Shea of Pekin, who passed away on October 8, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Shea was born in Peoria to James D. and Ruth A. Marchino Shea on July 19, 1940; he married Trudy Ann Durbin in Pekin on October 12, 1963; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Shea served in the United States Air Force National Guard and worked for Evonik Goldschmidt Corporation, from which he retired; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Shea was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Pekin; he was active in the Knights of Columbus, Cursillo, the We Are the Church spiritual renewal program, and the Prison Ministry; he was a basketball coach at St. Joseph Catholic School and a Committee Representative for the United Steel Workers; he was a foster parent to over 300 children; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Shea was an avid Cardinals fan; he was a devoted father, grandfather, brother, and friend; he was his grandchildren's biggest fan; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Shea was preceded in death by his parents;

1 his wife, Trudy; his son, Dennis Shea; his granddaughter,
2 Carolyn Jane Shea; his sister, Delia Ryan; and his brother,
3 James Shea; and

4 WHEREAS, Mike Shea is survived by his daughter, Denise
5 Goessman; his grandchildren, Alli (Ryan) McClanahan, Natalie
6 Shea, Shea Goessman, William Shea, Elizabeth Shea, and Addison
7 Goessman; his sisters, Mary (Robert) Gover, Ann (Robert)
8 Hickey, Pat (Jay) Bednar, and Fran (Joe) Crusen; his brothers,
9 John (Pat) Shea M.D., Tom (Ann) Shea, Tim (Mary) Shea, and Pete
10 Shea; his brother-in-law, Jack Ryan; his sister-in-law, Cathy
11 Shea; his daughter-in-law, Jessica Shea; his many nieces and
12 nephews; his companion, Brenda Simon; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
15 Mike Shea and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
16 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Mike Shea as an expression of our
19 deepest sympathy.