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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 Stephen D. Smouse of Antioch, who passed away on November 5, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Stephen Smouse was born in Ottawa to Kenneth and Elizabeth "Betty" (Dowd) Smouse on May 22, 1952; he moved to Antioch with his family in 1956 and attended Antioch Grade School and Antioch Community High School, graduating in 1970; he attended Millikin University in Decatur and Carthage College, Kenosha, Wisconsin; he graduated from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science in Chicago in 1978; and

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WHEREAS, Stephen Smouse worked for Roadway Express, and after graduating, began working for the Strang Funeral Home, eventually becoming manager; and

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WHEREAS, Stephen Smouse served as an Antioch Township Trustee beginning in 1997; he served as Antioch Township Supervisor and was instrumental in building the Antioch-Lake Villa Township Center and the Tim Osmond Sports Park; he started the tri-township bus with Lake Villa and Grant Townships; he held several FEMA certifications; and

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WHEREAS, Stephen Smouse was a member of the Illinois

1 Township Officials Association, the Illinois Township  
2 Supervisors Association, and president of the Antioch Hillside  
3 Cemetery Association; he was a member of the Antioch Historical  
4 Society, the Antioch Plan Commission, the Antioch Arbor Day  
5 Committee, the Antioch Jaycees, Friends of the Antioch Library,  
6 and many other professional organizations; he was a 25-year  
7 member of the Antioch Rotary Club and a 22-year member and  
8 paramedic for the Antioch Rescue Squad; he earned his pilots  
9 license in 1982; and

10 WHEREAS, Stephen Smouse is survived by his wife, Gerianne  
11 (Spellman); his daughter, Casey (Richard) Hafferkamp; his  
12 siblings, Jerry (Jody) Smouse, Rick Smouse, Jeff (Shari)  
13 Smouse, and Betsy Smouse; his grandchildren, Ashley, Wyatt,  
14 Lily, Luke, and Bennett; and many nieces and nephews;  
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
18 Stephen D. Smouse, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Stephen Smouse as an expression of  
23 our deepest sympathy.