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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 learn of the death of Bernard E. "Bernie" Erickson of East 3 4 Moline, who passed away on March 18, 2018; and 5 WHEREAS, Bernie Erickson was born in Sherrard to Virgil and 6 Eleanor Zeimer Erickson on January 11, 1933; he served in the 7 U.S. Air Force during World War II and married Opal "Lucille" 8 Rusk in East Moline on September 5, 1953; and 9 WHEREAS, Bernie Erickson retired from the Case IH Plant in East Moline after 30 years of service; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Bernie Erickson enjoyed country western music and 12 dancing; he also enjoyed the outdoors and fishing and spending 13 time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and WHEREAS, Bernie Erickson was preceded in death by his 14 parents; his son, Ricky Eugene Erickson; his sister, Beverly 15 16 Hall; and Le Roy Erickson; and 17 WHEREAS, Bernie Erickson is survived by his wife, Lucille; 18 his son, Larry (Pam) Erickson; his grandchildren, Tarra (Ryan) 19 Smith, Tanya (Dan) Roberson, and Valerie (Nathan) Fry; his

great-grandchildren, Billy, Blake, Jacob (Emily), Breanna,

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- 1 Nickolas, Sage, Dylan, Lainee, Eric, Logan, and Isaac; his
- 2 great-great-grandchildren, Parker, Paxton, Landon, and Jace;
- 3 several nieces and nephews; and his dog and best buddy, Jo Jo;
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Bernard E. "Bernie" Erickson, and extend our sincere
- 8 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 9 him; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Bernie Erickson as an expression of
- 12 our deepest sympathy.