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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 Robert Adolf "Bob" Boens of Coal Valley, who passed away on June 28, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Boens was born in Moline to Gustaf and Martha (Rydell) Boens on October 14, 1932; he grew up farming with his brothers; he served in the United States Army for two years before marrying Cleo Greenwood in Milan on April 27, 1957; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Boens was employed in the product development and engineering research division at Deere and Company for 28 years; he retired as a supervisor from the John Deere Technical Center; he went on to farm on a full-time basis for another 30 years and harvested his final crop at the age of 84; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Boens was a lifelong member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church, but he also attended First Presbyterian Church in Coal Valley with his wife; he was most comfortable when repairing farm equipment or working in the field; he never met a piece of machinery he could not fix; he took great pleasure in standing and looking out over a growing crop; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Boens was preceded in death by his brothers, Richard and Harold "Bud" Boens; and

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1 WHEREAS, Bud Boens is survived by his wife, Cleo; his
2 children, Lonie Boens and Mark (Beth) Boens; his granddaughter,
3 Ashley Boens; his sisters-in-law, Rosalee and Donna Boens; and
4 his many nieces and nephews; 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 Robert Adolf "Bob" Boens and extend our sincere condolences to
8 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Bob Boens as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.