SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of James Bernard Hardy of Danville, who passed away on January 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, James Hardy was born in Georgetown to James John and Gladys Julia Wells Hardy on August 2, 1935; he married Sharon Lou Bednar in Westville on August 16, 1958; and

WHEREAS, James Hardy worked for Bohn Aluminum; he was also elected president of Local 1271 and represented over 5,000 members and served as bargaining chairman; and

WHEREAS, James Hardy served on the Vermilion County Board for many years, where he held several roles, including Parliamentarian, Judicial Committee Chair, and Rules Committee Chair; he was also an active member of the County Board's Nursing Home and Transportation Committees and was known to be "persistent in his causes"; he was a member of the Danville Barbershoppers, Danville Moose Club, and was president of the Lynch Parents Club for a time; he enjoyed playing baseball, going to flea markets and auctions, and working in his yard; and

WHEREAS, James Hardy was preceded in death by his brother; and

WHEREAS, James Hardy is survived by his wife, Sharon; his daughters, Christine Massey and Martina (John) Grites; his grandchildren, Kelly, Joshua, Jamie, Jenna, and Will; his great-grandchildren, Sawyer, Alexander, Augustus, and Bentley; and one great-grandchild on the way, Wilson; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of James Bernard Hardy and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of James Hardy as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

