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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 Richard J. "Dickie" Morelli, who passed away on March 4, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Morelli was born to Victor and Ann (Burcenski) Morelli on June 14, 1936; he grew up in Lockport and graduated from Joliet Catholic High School in 1954, where he played football, baseball, and basketball; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Morelli retired from the Lockport Police Department after 28 years of dedicated service; he was also a Lockport Animal Control Warden for 45 years; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Morelli was an accomplished trap shooter and won Illinois State Trap Shooting championships in 1965, 1966, and 1967; he was inducted into the Illinois United States Specialty Sports Association Hall of Fame in 1996, having been named 1982 State MVP and having played in six world tournaments; he received the Joliet Catholic Academy Alumni Association Rev. Paddy McGowan Award for athletic achievement in 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Morelli enjoyed duck hunting and fishing in Siesta Key and at his lake home in Wisconsin; he was an avid

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1 fan of the Chicago White Sox fan; he was a lifetime member of  
2 Lockport Moose Lodge #1557 and a member of the Lockport Duck  
3 Club; he attended St. Joseph Church in Lockport and Joliet; and

4 WHEREAS, Richard Morelli was preceded in death by his  
5 parents; his father-in-law, Robert Beall; his brother, David  
6 Morelli; his daughter, Cheryl Morelli; and his grandsons,  
7 Michael Morelli and Lucas Clinton; and

8 WHEREAS, Richard Morelli is survived by his wife of 39  
9 years, Sharon (Beall) Morelli; his daughter, Annette (Brett)  
10 Clinton; his sons, Richard (Ann), Dean (Robin), and Randy  
11 (Kelly) Morelli; his stepsons, Glenn and Mike (the late Leigh)  
12 Kelley; nine grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; his  
13 mother-in-law, Mafalda Beall; his sister, Nancy Costello; his  
14 brother, Jim (Karen) Morelli; his sister-in-law, Pat Morelli;  
15 his brother-in-law, Brad Beall; and his sisters-in-law, Linda  
16 Metheney and Carole Getson; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
19 Richard J. "Dickie" Morelli and extend our sincere condolences  
20 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
21 it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Richard Morelli as an expression of  
2 our deepest sympathy.