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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 Gary Stewart, who passed away on February 12, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Gary Stewart was born in Chicago to Romie Taylor and Merlene Stewart on August 11, 1965; he attended DuSable High School, where he met his wife, Karen Tunstall; after graduating high school in 1985, he and Karen married on May 31, 1985; he then joined the United States Navy, where he served for seven years; he made his home in San Diego, California before moving back to the Midwest and settling in Wisconsin; in 2006, Gary Stewart committed to his faith and was ordained Deacon Gary at Now Faith Ministries; and

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WHEREAS, Gary Stewart became a truck driver in 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Gary Stewart will be remembered as a peacemaker who accepted everyone; his teasing, laugh, and the nicknames he created for everyone will be missed; and

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WHEREAS, Gary Stewart was preceded in death by his parents; and his siblings, Will, Beverly, and Glenda; and

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WHEREAS, Gary Stewart was a dedicated, loving, and faithful

1 husband to Karen, the loving father of Cherie, Cherese, Gary
2 Jr., and Gabriel, the grandfather of Keve'yontae, Kivea,
3 Harmony, and Kalianna, the brother of Betty, Linda, Dorothy,
4 Sheila, Michael, Terry, Granville, Kimberly, and Rhonda, the
5 uncle of many nieces and nephews, and the brother-in-law,
6 cousin, and friend to many, especially his friend since
7 childhood, Otha Maylor; therefore, be it

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

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Gary Stewart as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.