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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of John D. VanNatta of Moline, who passed 4 away on August 25, 2019; and

WHEREAS, John VanNatta was born in Platteville, Wisconsin to Leroy and Florence Quinlan VanNatta on October 28, 1947; he graduated from Platteville High School in 1945; he attended Loras College until he was drafted into the United States Army Air Forces in 1946; he attained the rank of sergeant and was stationed in the Philippines; after being discharged in 1947, he attended the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and majored in engineering; he married Joyce Kay in 1949; he married Carolyn Guinn Dailey in 1981; and

WHEREAS, John VanNatta was employed as an engineer at Deere and Company; he retired in 1983 after 33 years of service; and

WHEREAS, John VanNatta enjoyed spending time with his family and friends; he was an avid golfer, a master woodworker, the ultimate Mr. Fix-It, and a fan of the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago Bears; he will be remembered for his ready smile and quick wit and as the neighborhood guy who carried his dog for a walk; and

- 1 WHEREAS, John VanNatta was preceded in death by his
- 2 parents; his infant son, Mark; his daughter, Lori Meuser; his
- 3 grandson, Mark Brown; his sister, Norma Saunders; and his
- 4 brother, Francis VanNatta; and
- 5 WHEREAS, John VanNatta is survived by his wife of 38 years,
- 6 Carolyn; his daughter, Carolyn (Richard) Trewartha; his son,
- 7 Dr. Michael (Doreen) VanNatta; his son-in-law, Chris Meuser;
- 8 his stepchildren, Brian (Lori) Dailey, Jill (Larry) Kelly,
- 9 Mitch Dailey, Melissa (Jim) Lampo, and Curt (Lisa) Dailey; his
- 10 grandchildren, Tim (Angie) Brown, Amanda Brown, Andy (Lauren)
- 11 VanNatta, Allison (Jeffrey) Wright, Aubrey (Aaron) McKay,
- 12 Matthew (Samantha) VanNatta, Mark and Mitch VanNatta, Adam
- 13 (Hollie) Meuser, Abby and Kyle Meuser, Ellen (Tommy) Burt,
- 14 Megan (J.T.) McCormick, Michael Dailey, Maggie Lampo, Miles
- 15 (Claire) Lampo, Brooke Dailey, and Keira Dailey; his 18
- 16 great-grandchildren and two more on the way; and his beloved
- 17 pup, Sadie; therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 20 John D. VanNatta and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 22 further
- 23 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of John VanNatta as an expression of

2 our deepest sympathy.