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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 George W. Black Jr. of Carbondale, who passed away on August 28, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, George Black Jr. was born in Brooklyn, New York on April 1, 1930; he served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War; he earned a bachelor's degree from Saint Francis College in Brooklyn, New York, a master's degree in chemistry from St. John's University in New York, and a master's degree in library science from Columbia University in New York; he married Katherine Mary McKenna in Flushing, New York on March 3, 1962; and

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WHEREAS, George Black Jr. served at Southern Illinois University Carbondale as a full professor and director of the science library at Morris Library for 22 years; and

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WHEREAS, George Black Jr. volunteered and served on the board of the Carbondale Public Library; he enjoyed the beauty of Southern Illinois; he was a devoted fan of the men's and women's Saluki sports teams; during retirement, he volunteered with Habitat for Humanity; he was a loving husband, father, and grandfather; and

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1           WHEREAS, George Black Jr. was preceded in death by his  
2 wife, Katherine; and

3           WHEREAS, George Black Jr. is survived by his children,  
4 James (Marian Lee) Black, Kathleen (James) Buckley, and Mary  
5 Black; and his grandchildren, Bridget Buckley, Cecilia  
6 Albert-Black, Gabriel Black-Planas, and Ainona Black-Planas;  
7 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 George W. Black Jr. and extend our sincere condolences to his  
11 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
12 further

13           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of George Black Jr. as an expression of  
15 our deepest sympathy.