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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Robert Lewis "Bob" Bonnett of Milan, who 4 passed away on October 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Bob Bonnett was born in Buffalo, Iowa to Lewis and Violette Shoemaker Bonnett on August 21, 1926; he served in the U.S. Army; he married Elaine Marie Fitzpatrick on January 26, 1946, and she preceded him in death on March 17, 1991; he married Shirley Daniels-Faramelli on June 6, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Bob Bonnett and Elaine founded Bonnett Wholesale Florist in Milan in 1954; it became a successful business in which he was actively involved until his last years; and

WHEREAS, Bob Bonnett was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Milan; he was a member of the Chevrolet Nomad Association and the GMC Motorhome Club; he enjoyed gardening, traveling, and attending the national Nomad Conventions; he also enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; he was a collector of Nomads and enjoyed long car rides; and

WHEREAS, Bob Bonnett was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Elaine; his daughter, Robin Ciccotelli; his

1 sister, June; his brother, Richard "Dick"; and his

- 2 great-granddaughter, Chelsey Weldon; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Bob Bonnett is survived by his wife, Shirley; his
- 4 children, Gregory (Debbie) Bonnett, Glynn (Diane Steele-Kies)
- 5 Bonnett, Taylor Ridge, and Kent (Pattie) Bonnett; his stepson,
- 6 John Faramelli; his grandchildren, Allison, Kimberly, Velvet,
- 7 Beth, Melissa, Jaime, Anthony, and John; his step-grandson,
- 8 Ashton; 16 great-grandchildren; several
- 9 great-great-grandchildren; and his son-in-law, Ginc
- 10 Ciccotelli; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 13 Robert Lewis "Bob" Bonnett and extend our sincere condolences
- 14 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
- 15 it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Bob Bonnett as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.