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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Richard "Rich" Martin of Port Byron,
4 who passed away on December 5, 2023; and

5 WHEREAS, Rich Martin was born to Robert and Mildred Martin
6 in Moline on February 13, 1945; he graduated from Moline High
7 School in 1963 and briefly attended Black Hawk College; he
8 served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War; he married
9 Linda (Frits) Martin in 1969, and they later divorced; he
10 married Donna (Bielema) Martin in 1981; and

11 WHEREAS, Rich Martin was employed as a journeyman machine
12 repairman at JD Planter for 37.7 years; and

13 WHEREAS, Rich Martin was a member of the Quad City's
14 Vintage Rods; and

15 WHEREAS, Rich Martin loved his 1937 Ford, which he had for
16 over 50 years; and

17 WHEREAS, Rich Martin is survived by his wife; his
18 children, Amie, Drew, and Jody; his grandchildren, Nathan and
19 Melissa; his sister, Diane (Dave) Ballard; his brother, Tom;
20 five nieces; and many friends; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Richard "Rich" Martin and extend our sincere condolences to
4 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Rich Martin as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.