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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Allen Frederick Bennett, who passed away on Wednesday, November 29, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett was born to the late Leo and Donna Bennett on August 29, 1943 in Mt. Vernon, Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett earned a bachelor's degree in business commerce from the University of Illinois in 1965; he graduated law school from the University of Tennessee and received his Juris Doctor in 1967; and

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WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett began his distinguished public service career in 1968, when he was elected State's Attorney of Moultrie County, Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett, shortly thereafter, served as the Public Defender of Macon County before his election as State Representative from Decatur in 1976; and

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WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett also served as an Assistant Attorney general and later as a lobbyist for the

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1 Fraternal Order of Police, Trooper's Lodge #41 and Illinois
2 Fraternal Order of Police, State Lodge; and

3 WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett served the people of
4 Illinois by being one of the few to serve in all three branches
5 of Illinois Government: The General Assembly, Executive, and
6 Judiciary; and

7 WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennet practiced law privately in
8 Sullivan, Decatur, Springfield, and Shelbyville before being
9 elected Resident Circuit Judge of Shelby County, 4th Judicial
10 Circuit in 2012; and

11 WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett was preceded in death by
12 his parents, Leo and Donna Bennett; and his sister, Suzie
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14 WHEREAS, Allen Frederick Bennett is survived by his wife,
15 Tina Bennett; his children, Tammera McClendon, Allen Bennett
16 II, and Trina Bedlington; his sisters, Katie (Byron) Cartwright
17 and Sally (James) Hooten; his eight grandchildren; his four
18 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
21 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

1 mourn the passing of Allen Frederick Bennett and extend our
2 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
3 and loved him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Allen Frederick Bennett as an
6 expression of our deepest sympathy and regards.