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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 Andrew Wilson Easton of Gillespie, who passed away on January 12, 2017 at the age of 59; and

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WHEREAS, Andrew Easton was born in Alton to Andrew Easton and Florence Heyen Easton on February 11, 1957; he married Donna Griffel Easton in Gillespie on December 9, 1978; and

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WHEREAS, Andrew Easton was a member of the 1974 Gillespie Football Team state qualifiers in Class 2A; he was a 1975 graduate of Gillespie High School and a 1978 graduate of Eastern Illinois University; and

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WHEREAS, Andrew Easton was a teacher of business, computers, science and economics at Litchfield High School, Pana Middle School, Gillespie High School, and Gillespie Middle School for over 20 years; he coached football in Litchfield, Pana, Carlinville, Gillespie, Mt. Olive, and Taylorville; he coached football, wrestling, cross country, track, and girls basketball at the high school level; he coached track, boys basketball, and girls basketball at the middle school level; he also coached Gillespie Junior Football League, numerous traveling teams, as well as individual athletes; he was an assistant coach of the 1993 Carlinville High School Football

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1 Class 2A State Runner Up; he was the assistant coach of the  
2 1998 Gillespie Middle School Boys Basketball Class 7AA who  
3 reached fourth place at State; his passion to motivate his  
4 students and athletes to achieve their highest level will be  
5 his lasting legacy; and

6 WHEREAS, Andrew Easton had an accounting tax business in  
7 Gillespie for a number of years and was a Gillespie City  
8 Council Member; and

9 WHEREAS, Andrew Easton attended United Methodist Church of  
10 Gillespie; he was a member of the Fellowship of Christian  
11 Athletes; he had an interest in the stock market, music, and  
12 was a student of sports; and

13 WHEREAS, Andrew Easton was preceded in death by his father;  
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15 WHEREAS, Andrew Easton is survived by his mother, Florence  
16 Easton; his wife, Donna Easton; his children, Andrew Easton,  
17 Alyce Easton, and Alex Easton; his grandchildren, Amour D.  
18 Easton and Andrew L. Easton; his siblings, Ann Marie Easton and  
19 John Easton; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Dave and  
20 Mary Griffel; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
2 family and friends, mourn the passing of Andrew Wilson Easton,  
3 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and  
4 all who knew and loved him; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the family of Andrew Easton as an expression of  
7 our deepest sympathy.