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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 Robert Carl "Bob" Bruss of Huntley, who passed away on March 9, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Bruss was born in Monroe, Wisconsin to Carl and Anna (Hoffman) Bruss on July 29, 1937; he served in the United States Air Force National Guard and married Sue Downing Bruss in Glen Ellyn on January 26, 1963; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Bruss was a landscape architect and member of the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association; along with his siblings and his parents, he founded Bruss Nursery and Landscaping in Lombard in 1952; the business later moved to Wheaton, where it is now in its 65th year under the third-generation leadership of his son, Eric; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Bruss enjoyed chocolate and raspberries and snatching a bite of food from the plate of an unsuspecting fellow diner; he was a Harris Fellow of Rotary International, a founder of Friends of Wildflower Lake in Sun City, an avid fisherman, a golfer, and a lover of old movies; he and his wife traveled to all 50 states and all seven continents; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Bruss was preceded in death by his parents

1 and his sister, Sue Greenen; and

2 WHEREAS, Robert Bruss is survived by his wife, Sue; his  
3 children, Cindy (Tim) Sullivan, David (Elizabeth), and Eric  
4 (Pam); his grandchildren, Patrick and Corrinne Sullivan, Kiley  
5 and Ellie Bruss, and Austin and Phillip Bruss; his "adopted"  
6 daughter, Delia (Philip) Silveira, and their daughter,  
7 Daniella; his wonderful caregivers, Maria Cabellos, and  
8 Roselle Taruc; his sisters, Marianne (Tom) Crane, and Nance  
9 Bruss; his brother, William (Marianne) Bruss; his  
10 sisters-in-law, Jean (Don) Oliver, and Ann (Hans) Brebeck; his  
11 brother-in-law, Bill (Kay) Downing; and many cousins, nieces,  
12 and nephews; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
15 Robert Carl "Bob" Bruss, and extend our sincere condolences to  
16 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Robert Bruss as an expression of our  
20 deepest sympathy.