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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 James W. "Jim" Loyd of Roxana, who passed away on April 6, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Loyd was born in Centralia to Ira R. and Dolly M. (Kurtz) Loyd on July 6, 1935; his family moved to the Roxana area in 1947, and he graduated from Roxana High School in 1953, where, since the age of 16, he had helped with the construction of the new building; he served in the United States Navy during the Korean War, transporting documents in Washington, D.C.; after his discharge, he returned to Roxana and married Sherryl Pitt; he later married Judy Cleveland, on February 1, 1964; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Loyd worked for the Village of Roxana in every department, including the Library Board and the Park Board; he became a police officer and served for 33 years, including 17 as Chief; he was later elected mayor and to multiple terms as a board member; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Loyd's life was dedicated to his family, his church, Wood River Community of Christ, and the citizens of Roxana; he was inspired to serve the youth of the community; he supported the DARE program and inspired other officers to follow his passion; he directed church youth camps, and taught

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1 riflery and pistolry; he was a faithful supporter of many  
2 causes, including Backstoppers; he enjoyed mowing the grass for  
3 the church on Vaughn Hill and always aimed for a golf course  
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5 WHEREAS, Jim Loyd was preceded in death by his parents; his  
6 sisters, Iona Gordon and Juanita Giddings; and his brother,  
7 Jack "Duke" Loyd; and

8 WHEREAS, Jim Loyd is survived by his wife, Judy; his  
9 children, Beth Merkel, K.C. Loyd, and Kirsten Melton; his  
10 grandchildren; and his many nieces and nephews; therefore, be  
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12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
14 James W. "Jim" Loyd and extend our sincere condolences to his  
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
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17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of Jim Loyd as an expression of our  
19 deepest sympathy.