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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 Harold W. Sundelius, Ph.D., K.N.O. of Moline, who passed away on June 17, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Sundelius was born in Escanaba, Michigan to Herbert A. and Caroline Johnson Sundelius on July 6, 1930; he graduated Magna cum Laude from Augustana College in 1952; upon graduation from Augustana, he received a Fulbright Fellowship, which enabled him to pursue graduate studies at the University of Oslo in Norway; once he returned, he was drafted into the United States Army and served in Japan and Korea from 1953 until 1955; after completing his military service, he resumed his graduate studies at the University of Wisconsin, where he earned his master of science and Ph.D.; he was also awarded the C.K. Keith Fellowship and was named a University Fellow; he married Charlene Swanson on May 21, 1955; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Sundelius joined the U.S. Geological Survey and served in military geology and Eastern U.S. regional geology from 1959 until 1965; he then joined the faculty of Wittenberg University in Ohio, where he became an associate dean, professor, and chair of geology; in 1957, he returned to Augustana as a professor of geology, vice president and dean; he retired as professor emeritus of geology in 1995; and

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1           WHEREAS, Harold Sundelius was a fellow in the Geological  
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4           Omicron Delta Kappa, the Society of Economic Geologists, and  
5           the Rotary Club of Rock Island; he was proud of his Swedish  
6           heritage and served as President of the Augustana Historical  
7           Society; he was a member of the American Scandinavian  
8           Association at Augustana College and served on the board of the  
9           Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center; for his  
10          leadership in academics and the promotion of ties between the  
11          United States and Sweden, he was accorded the rank of Knight in  
12          the Royal Order of the North Star (Kungliga Nordstjarneorden)  
13          by his Majesty Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden in 1996; and

14          WHEREAS, Harold Sundelius was preceded in death by his  
15          wife, Charlene; and

16          WHEREAS, Harold Sundelius is survived by his daughters,  
17          Karen (Gary Risch) Sundelius and Kristine (Brad) Lundine; his  
18          grandchildren, Andrew (Cassie) and Matthew Pappas, and Sarah,  
19          Anna, Elizabeth, and Mark Lundine; his great-grandson, Drew  
20          Pappas; and his sister, Lorian Sundelius Swanson; therefore, be  
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22          RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
2 Harold W. Sundelius, Ph.D., K.N.O. and extend our sincere  
3 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
4 him; and be it further

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