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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 Dr. Brent Michael Leh of Edwardsville, who passed away on October 6, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Leh was born in St. Louis, Missouri on August 3, 1986; he graduated from Edwardsville High School, where he was known for his friendliness and leadership and was captain of the wrestling team; he completed his undergraduate work at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree with honors from the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine in May 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Immediately after graduation, Dr. Leh joined the staff at Hawthorne Animal Hospital, which was founded by his grandfather; he specialized in emergency, critical care medicine and was known for his enthusiasm in providing compassionate care for companion animals and their families; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Leh served as a volunteer wrestling coach; he enjoyed combat sports, boating, motorcycling, traveling, and classic cars; he had an infectious smile; through his gift of organ donation, five lives have been saved; and

1           WHEREAS, Dr. Leh was preceded in death by his grandfather,  
2 Richard J. Leh; and

3           WHEREAS, Dr. Leh is survived by his parents, Ann (Michael)  
4 Culp and Richard J. Leh Jr.; his brother, Richard J. (Laura)  
5 Leh III; his niece, Devyn Anne; his step-siblings, Bethany C.  
6 (Eric) Paulsen, Benjamin M. (Megan) Culp, Nathaniel M. (Pamela)  
7 Culp, and Gregory Culp; his nieces and nephews, Emmet Paulsen,  
8 Julia, Wesley, and Owen Culp, and Clayton Culp; his  
9 grandparents Merrill and Grace Ottwein, Donna Ross, and Ethel  
10 Leh; his aunts and uncles, Amy (Keith) Zagar, Paul (Amber)  
11 Ottwein, Emily Ottwein, and Linda Evans; his cousins, John  
12 (Nicole) Ottwein, Adam (Jessica) Ottwein, Tyler (Amy) Ottwein,  
13 Dakota Roper, Matthew (Catherine) Zagar, Patrick Zagar,  
14 Benjamin Ottwein, and Casey Evans; and his partner, Molly  
15 Harris and her daughter, Luca; therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
18 Dr. Brent Michael Leh and extend our sincere condolences to his  
19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
20 further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Dr. Leh as an expression of our

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1 deepest sympathy.