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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 Lester Allen Klope of Alton, who passed away on November 23, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Lester Klope was born in Alton to Lester and Cora Alice (Borum) Klope on October 27, 1939; he married Linda Wetzel at the Evangelical Reformed Church in Alton on April 22, 1962; and

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WHEREAS, Lester Klope was previously employed as bureau chief by the Alton Telegraph and by Today's AdVantage (AdVantage News); he was owner of L. Allen Klope Photography; and

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WHEREAS, Lester Klope was past president of the Wood River Rotary Club, the Alton-Godfrey Rotary Club, and the Piasa Bird Council; he was a member of the Alton Golf Hall of Fame and was named as the Alton Jaycees Outstanding Young Man of the Year; he received the Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America, where he was a Wood Badge Instructor; he was president of the Evangelical United Church of Christ Consistory, the Rock Gate Homeowners Association, and Atwood & Associates; he was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lester Klope was preceded in death by his
2 grandson, Jordan Klope; and

3 WHEREAS, Lester Klope is survived by his wife, Linda; his
4 children, Christopher Allen Klope (Sonja) and Kathryn
5 Vantonder (Quinton); and his grandchildren, Madison Klope and
6 Conner Warren; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 Lester Allen Klope and extend our sincere condolences to his
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Lester Klope as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.