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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 Donald Eugene "Don" Lenz of Freeport, who passed away on December 1, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Don Lenz was born to LeRoy and Francenia (Taylor) Lenz on January 14, 1930; he was a lifelong resident of Freeport; after his parents separated, he left high school to work full time to support his mother, his three younger sisters, and his younger brother; as a teenager, he became the head of the family and inspired his younger siblings; no stranger to hard work, he continued to work various jobs and also earned his GED; he said the best thing he ever did was marry Delores "Dee" McDonald on December 8, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, Don Lenz retired from Kelly-Springfield Tire Company, where he made many lifelong friends; and

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WHEREAS, Don Lenz was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church; he was a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, where he loved playing cards and being with friends; he was a devoted fan of the Green Bay Packers; his greatest joy was spending time with his family and friends; he will be remembered for his quick wit and humor, telling jokes, and playing games; and

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1 WHEREAS, Don Lenz was preceded in death by his parents and
2 his sisters, Delores (Gene) West and Dorothy (Bernard)
3 Henderson; and

4 WHEREAS, Don Lenz is survived by his wife, Dee; his
5 children, John (Becky) Lenz and Ginnie (Daniel) Pflaume; his
6 grandchildren, Jeremy (Stephanie) Pflaume, Amanda (Scott)
7 Boyea, Kyle (Hayli) Pflaume, Erin (Jonathan) Harless, and Adam
8 (Amanda) Pflaume; his great-grandchildren, Gavin, Carter,
9 Hayden, Aiden, Joel, Ryan, and Easton; his brother, Robert
10 (Peggy) Lenz; his sister, Floreida (Fritzie) Lanes; and his
11 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

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

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Don Lenz as an expression of our
19 deepest sympathy.