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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 Joseph M. "Joe" Ambrose of Mahomet, formerly of LeRoy, who passed away on January 4, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Ambrose was born in Peoria to Joseph J. and Charlotte M. Mittendorf Ambrose on July 28, 1957; he moved with his family to LeRoy in 1967, where he met his future wife, and they both graduated from LeRoy High School in 1975; he earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Illinois in 1979, and married Julienne "Julie" Epperson in LeRoy on June 21, 1989; he then earned a law degree from Indiana University in 1982 and a master's in business administration from Northwestern University in 2001; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Ambrose began his career as a lawyer with Bane, Allison, & Saint in 1982; he later worked for Saint & Ambrose, Hinshaw & Culbertson, and Costigan & Wollrab; in 2006, he joined Horizon Hobby and became C.E.O. in 2008; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Ambrose was a member of the Board of Directors for First Busey Corporation, St. Mary Church in Downs, and the Champaign Country Club; he and Julie traveled frequently and visited 20 countries, Disney World, and their grandchildren; he loved motorcycles, reading, and spending time with friends and

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1 family; and

2 WHEREAS, Joe Ambrose was preceded in death by his parents
3 and his brother, Gregory R. Ambrose; and

4 WHEREAS, Joe Ambrose is survived by his wife, Julie; his
5 children, Joseph Jacob (Danielle) Ambrose, Benjamin Matthew
6 Ambrose, Bradley Conard (Sarah) Ambrose, and Megan Leta (David)
7 Jones; his eight grandchildren; his brother, James (Kathryn)
8 Ambrose; and his sisters, Julie Ambrose, Mary Ambrose, and
9 Margaret Ambrose; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Joseph M. "Joe" Ambrose and extend our sincere condolences to
13 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Joe Ambrose as an expression of our
17 deepest sympathy.