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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 Charles George "Chuck" McCarthy of Normal, who passed away on April 10, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Charles McCarthy was born in Chicago to Wilhelmina (Warkenthien) and Charles E. McCarthy on February 5, 1933; he attended the University of Colorado Boulder on a football scholarship and joined the U.S. Marines following his sophomore year, where he served in the infantry from 1952 to 1955; he married Dorothy "Dode" Davis on September 15, 1956 and they settled in Fairbury; and

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WHEREAS, After his discharge from the service, Charlie McCarthy graduated from the Illinois State Police Academy; he joined the force in November 1955 and was assigned to District 6 in Pontiac; and

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WHEREAS, Charles McCarthy received advanced instruction in riot control and mob violence during the 1960s, becoming a subject-matter expert; he taught at the ISP Academy in Springfield and was involved in the 1968 Chicago Democratic Convention and riots in Cairo; his leadership skills and riot control knowledge and experience served him well later in his career as incident commander, quelling the 1978 Pontiac prison

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1 riot; and

2 WHEREAS, Charles McCarthy relocated his family to
3 Bloomington in 1971 and received a Bachelor of Science in
4 Sociology from Illinois Wesleyan University in 1973; he was
5 promoted to lieutenant in November 1975 and was assigned to ISP
6 District 15 in Oak Brook; he was promoted to captain in 1977
7 and took command of District 15, where he was responsible for
8 the Illinois Toll Road near Chicago; he completed his career
9 serving as commander for District 6 in Pontiac and retired in
10 December 1987 with 35 years of service; and

11 WHEREAS, Following retirement, Charles McCarthy and
12 Dorothy built a home in the shadow of the Collegiate Peaks near
13 Nathrop, Colorado, where they spent many summers; and

14 WHEREAS, Charles McCarthy was preceded in death by his
15 parents and his sister, Arlette Miller; and

16 WHEREAS, Charles McCarthy is survived by his wife of 62
17 years, Dorothy; his daughters, Erin Trnka (Curt) and Tracy
18 Harper (Greg); his son, Mike McCarthy (Rita); and seven
19 grandchildren; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 Charles George "Chuck" McCarthy and extend our sincere
2 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
3 him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Charles McCarthy as an expression of
6 our deepest sympathy.