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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 Dennis M. "Denny" Bruckert of Plainview, who passed away on May 2, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert was born in Litchfield to Harry and Catherine (Musgrove) Bruckert on June 5, 1944; he graduated from Bunker Hill High School in 1962, where he excelled at baseball and basketball; he was drafted to play for the Pittsburgh Pirates, but declined; he was also an Illinois All-State basketball player; he served in the U.S. Navy and was stationed in Vietnam; and

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WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert retired after having been partner and owner of the Daley Bruckert new car dealerships in Gillespie, Staunton, and Carlinville; and

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WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert married Susan (Briskovich) Bruckert on March 20, 1999; and

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WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert was a member of VFW Post 4547 in Gillespie; he had a passion for fastpitch softball and his teams won numerous international and national championships; his proudest accomplishment was being the head coach of the United States Men's National Fastpitch Softball Team; his

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1 second proudest sports moment was being able to teach his
2 grandson Dominic the basics of baseball at a very early age and
3 to coach his Little League teams; he was an avid fan of the St.
4 Louis Cardinals; and

5 WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert was preceded in death by his
6 mother, Catherine (Musgrove) Bruckert; his birth father, Harry
7 Bruckert; his stepfather, Albert Bruckert; and his first wife,
8 Peaches (Stankoven) Bruckert; and

9 WHEREAS, Denny Bruckert is survived by his wife, Susan; his
10 children, Shanna Michelle Bruckert, Brandy Lea Bruckert
11 (Daniel Fisher), Shelly Alepra (Matt), and Alan Young (Kelley);
12 his grandchildren, Dominic Alepra, Isabella Alepra, Marcus
13 Young, and Ashley Young; his siblings, Ronald Bruckert (Ginny)
14 and Carol Zakrewski (Gary); his half brother and half sister,
15 Bob Bruckert and Candy Bruckert; and numerous nieces, nephews,
16 great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
19 Dennis M. "Denny" Bruckert and extend our sincere condolences
20 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
21 it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Denny Bruckert as an expression of
2 our deepest sympathy.