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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 Richard L. Paulsen of Moline, who passed away on May 1, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Paulsen was born in Davenport, Iowa to Clifford and Hertha Paulsen on February 23, 1935; he graduated from Rock Island High School in 1953; he attended Augustana College; he served in the United States Army and the Army Reserves; he married Sieglinde Wegehaupt at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island on May 18, 1957; he was confirmed into the Lutheran faith in 1960; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Paulsen went to work with his father at Paulsen Electric Co. in 1955; he started as a truck driver; he then completed an electrical apprenticeship, worked as a journeyman electrician, an estimator, and vice president; after his father's death, he became president of the company in 1981; after closing his business in 1994, he worked for Moline Electrical Supply Company, a division of Springfield Electric; he retired in 1999; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Paulsen was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the Quad Cities Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association; he served

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1 on the Electrical Commission for the City of Moline for ten
2 years; after moving to Moline, he joined Holy Cross Lutheran
3 Church, where he served on the Mutual Encouragement and
4 Property Committees and as an elder; he enjoyed his vegetable
5 garden, traveling, taking pictures, and spending time with his
6 family; he was an avid fan of the University of Iowa Hawkeyes,
7 the St. Louis Cardinals, and any team for which his family
8 played or coached; and

9 WHEREAS, Richard Paulsen is survived by his wife of 61
10 years, Sieglinde; his sons, Stephen and Scott Paulsen; and his
11 daughter, Susan Paulsen; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Richard L. Paulsen and extend our sincere condolences to his
15 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 Richard Paulsen as an expression of
19 our deepest sympathy.