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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 Robert Gail "Bob" Kleinsmith of East Moline, who passed away on August 15, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Kleinsmith was born in DeWitt, Iowa to Maurice and Rose Witt on October 5, 1937; he served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army and married Patricia "Pat" Weigandt Hoffman at Trinity Lutheran Church in Moline on December 23, 1988; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Kleinsmith was a businessman and was involved in several enterprises; he was a construction form setter and foreman before the age of 20; throughout his life, he was a cleaner and laundromat owner, manager of a water company, sign painter, home builder and land developer, used truck parts dealer, and rental property owner; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Kleinsmith was member of the Eldridge Jaycees and Ducks Unlimited; he enjoyed dancing with Pat, fishing, camping, playing cards, and watching NASCAR; he also enjoyed watching the horse and dog races; he was very proud of having authored a book, and above all else was his love for his family and the Boston Red Sox; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Kleinsmith was preceded in death by his

1 parents and his brother, John; and

2 WHEREAS, Bob Kleinsmith is survived by his wife, Patricia;  
3 his children, Kimberly (Brent) Gale, Rob Kleinsmith, Karinna  
4 (Jonathan) Lee, and Ryan (Roxanne) Kleinsmith; his  
5 stepchildren, Andrea (Kevin) Baker, Kai Greko, Travis Greko,  
6 and Blair Greko; nine grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren;  
7 several great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; his  
8 sisters, Joan (Charles) Headley and Millie (Dave) Berhenke; and  
9 his brother, Maurice Lee (Bern) Kleinsmith; 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 Robert Gail "Bob" Kleinsmith and extend our sincere condolences  
13 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
14 it further

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