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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Illinois Senate is saddened to learn of the death of George William "Bill" Barton, who passed on January 13, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Barton was born to George and Mildred (Samples) Barton in Irondale, Missouri on March 25, 1932; he was a graduate of the University of Tennessee school of engineering, and his professional career stretched over 50 years, including a tour in the U.S. Army and pioneering work for the American space program; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Barton was known for his singular wit and always had a profound comment to make with perfect comedic timing; he was an avid sportsman, hunter, and conservationist; and

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WHEREAS, The only thing Bill Barton loved more than the outdoors was his family; he frequented his grandchildren's sporting events and field trips whenever possible; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Barton was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara (Clark) Barton; his infant son, John Barton; his parents, George and Mildred (Samples) Barton; his sisters, Mary Elizabeth Tipton and Patricia Kasson; his brother, Jack Barton;

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1 his brother-in-law, Tom Tipton; and his great-nephew, Devon
2 Elbe; and

3 WHEREAS, Bill Barton is survived by his children, Kimberly
4 Barton (Ted) Igielski, Nancy Barton, and Michael (Tobie)
5 Barton; his grandchildren, Michael (Lacie) Molnar, Jamie (Jon)
6 Musgrave, Ian and Connor Igielski, and Matthew, Delaney, and
7 Joshua Barton; his six great-grandchildren; his sister, Jean
8 (Dale) Elbe; his brother-in-law, Dick Kasson; and his numerous
9 nieces and nephews; 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 George William "Bill" Barton 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 Bill Barton as an expression of our
17 deepest sympathy.