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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 William J. "Bill" O'Donnell of Moline, who passed away on February 28, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Bill O'Donnell was born in Toronto, Canada to William and Agnes (Marley) O'Donnell on September 29, 1929; he married Irene Roelens at Sacred Heart Church in Moline on September 4, 1950 and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War; and

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WHEREAS, Bill O'Donnell retired in 1986 from the Continental Baking Company in Davenport, Iowa after 31 years; and

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WHEREAS, Bill O'Donnell was affectionately known as "Bill the Wonder Bread Man"; he was a member of Sacred Heart Church and enjoyed photography and playing the piano; and

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WHEREAS, Bill O'Donnell was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Michael VanEchaute and his brothers, Marley and Hugh O'Donnell; and

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WHEREAS, Bill O'Donnell is survived by his wife, Irene; his children, Kathie VanEchaute, Judy (Bruce) Woodburn, and Paula

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1 (Steven) Rogers; and his grandchildren, Abby (Brad) VanZoeren,  
2 Emily (Aron) Sikarskie, and Andy (Heather) Gall; therefore, be  
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4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
6 William J. "Bill" O'Donnell and extend our sincere condolences  
7 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to the family of Bill O'Donnell as an expression of  
11 our deepest sympathy.