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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 Ronald D. Blad of Moline, who passed away on March 6, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Blad was born in Moline to Robert and Margaret (DeDoncker) Blad on May 4, 1937; he served in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957; he married Judy Possin on August 31, 1963; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Blad was employed by John Deere Plow Planter Works and then the John Deere Foundry, retiring when it closed in 1993; he then became a self-employed landscaper and snowplow driver in the Quad-City area; he was a member of the local UAW; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Blad was known as a real handyman who could fix anything; he enjoyed doing yard work; he especially loved the coffee at McDonald's and having coffee and donuts at Dunkin Donuts; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Blad is survived by his wife, Judy (Possin) Blad; his sons, Kent (Veronica) Blad and Brian (Christine) Blad; his sister, Margaret (Johnny) Ruiz; his brother, Hjalmer Blad; his grandchildren, Stephanie Farrow, Tiffany (Chris)

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1 Foley, Nathan Schmalenbach, Evan Blad, and Vaughn Blad; his
2 great-grandchildren, Terrance Russell Jr., Keyonte Farrow,
3 Evan Foley, Kashe Farrow, Desire Farrow, Noah Foley, and Eli
4 Foley; and his numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and
5 great-nephews; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Ronald D. Blad and extend our sincere condolences to his
9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Ronald Blad as an expression of our
13 deepest sympathy.