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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 Joseph "Joe" B. Burns of Rock Island, who passed away on June 10, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Burns was born to Harold and Irene DeJaeger Burns in Moline on March 18, 1941; he graduated from Alleman High School and joined the U.S. Navy in 1961; he married Sharon McMurray on July 12, 1969; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Burns worked 18 and a half years at John Deere Harvester; he retired in 2009 as co-owner and operator of the 14th Avenue Waffle Shop in Rock Island; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Burns belonged to St. Pius X Catholic Church and was also a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Garabandal movement; he was very proud of the replica of Noah's Ark he built in the 1970s; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Burns was preceded in death by his parents and three siblings, Rosemarie Kennedy, Robert Burns, and Patricia Jennings; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Burns is survived by his wife, Sharon Burns; his children, David (Lisa) Burns, Paul (Anna) Burns, Brian

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1 Burns, Bernadette (Jason) Gustafson, and Anna (Scott) Anders;
2 his five grandchildren; his two step-grandchildren; his two
3 step-great-grandchildren; his siblings, Ruth Kelley, Father
4 John Burns, Teresa Huyten, and Cynthia Jasper; his close
5 cousin, MaryAnn Hanavan; and his numerous nieces and nephews;
6 therefore, be it

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

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Joe Burns as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.