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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Gerald A. "Jerry" Jones of Springfield, 4 who passed away on May 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Jones was born in Decatur to Loy A. and Patricia A. (Merritt) Jones on December 30, 1948; he was a state wrestler in high school; he married Roberta Lee Jones on May 12, 1970; he served in the U.S. Air Force as a Special Operations Combat Controller during the Vietnam War Era, and he attained the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Jones had various careers: he worked in technology, where he spent time in Silicon Valley, California, in manufacturing, and most recently in healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Jones enjoyed the outdoors and loved hiking and swimming in rivers and oceans especially; he also enjoyed chocolate, Blues music, action movies, and watching football; he was known as an animal lover, being particularly fond of his golden retrievers; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Jones was preceded in death by his wife, Roberta; his parents; and his brother, Jim; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Jerry Jones is survived by his children, Ed Jones
- 2 and Deborah (husband, Jeff Krick) Jones; and his sister, Nancy
- 3 (Mike) O'Brien; therefore, be it
- 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 Gerald A. "Jerry" Jones and extend our sincere condolences to
- 7 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 8 further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of Jerry Jones as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.