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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 Thomas E. "Tom" Williams of Milan, who passed away on July 7, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Williams was born in Sulligent, Alabama to Purvie Thomas and Gertrude (Morris) Williams on September 17, 1946; he graduated from Rock Island High School; he served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and was stationed in Korea; he married Linda Gridley in Aledo on September 20, 1969; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Williams worked at the former Oscar-Mayer plant in Davenport, Iowa for 32 years, retiring in 2000; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Williams was a member of the Edgewood Baptist Church in Rock Island; he enjoyed reading, visiting casinos, driving fast cars, and Christmas; he also enjoyed fishing, visiting Lake Odessa in Muscatine, and staying in his cabin; above all, he enjoyed spending time with and caring for his wife and family; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Williams was preceded in death by his parents and four siblings; and

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1 WHEREAS, Tom Williams is survived by his wife of 52 years,
2 Linda; his daughters, Amanda Williams and Tarrah (Brian)
3 Smith; his granddaughters, Lydia and Emily Skelton; and his
4 sister, Louise (Steve) Watters; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 Thomas E. "Tom" Williams and extend our sincere condolences to
8 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Tom Williams as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.