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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 Eugene "Gene" Claire Piersall of Colona, who passed away on December 29, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Gene Piersall was born to Lawrence and Agnes (Osterberg) Piersall in Davenport, Iowa on October 19, 1931; he attended Davenport High School where he was the Iowa State Wrestling Champion for two years and was subsequently inducted into the Iowa High School Wrestling Hall of Fame; he served in the U.S. Navy; he married Phyllis Nelson in Davenport on November 2, 1957, and she passed away in 1987; he married Mary Langworthy Gordon in Davenport on June 3, 1989; and

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WHEREAS, Gene Piersall was a member of IBEW Local 145 for 60 years and last worked at Kohler Electric; he also owned and operated Potteramics ceramics shop in East Moline; and

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WHEREAS, Gene Piersall enjoyed fishing and boating; and

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WHEREAS, Gene Piersall was preceded in death by his wife, Phyllis; his son, David Piersall; and his three sisters, Phyllis Geist, Joyce Shirley, and Shirley Colbert; and

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WHEREAS, Gene Piersall is survived by his wife, Mary; his

1 four children, Deanna (Timothy) Richardson, Sherri (Thomas)
2 Smith, Keith Piersall, and Tialinda (Chad) Loucks; his eight
3 grandchildren, Alicia Dollieslager, Bradley Richardson, Leita
4 Richardson, Whitney Smith, Jonathan Clase, Tyler Smith, Anisha
5 Vichare, Shaine Mier, Bryant Piersall, and Cassidy Piersall;
6 his five great-grandchildren; his two stepchildren, Jerry
7 Gordon and Kenneth (Courtney) Gordon; his five
8 step-grandchildren, Taylor Gordon, Cameron Moline, Valerie
9 Gordon, Halee Gordon, and Justin Gordon; and his brother,
10 Edward Berger; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Eugene "Gene" Claire Piersall and extend our sincere
14 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
15 him; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Gene Piersall as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.