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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 Russell H. Pitch, D.D.S. of Paxton, who passed away on January 9, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch was born to Oliver and Georgina Olsen Pitch in Chicago on July 5, 1946; he graduated from Dundee Community High School in 1964 and North Central College in Naperville in 1969; he married Phyllis Wojcicki in Chicago on June 27, 1970; he graduated from Loyola Dental School in Maywood in 1976; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch decided to start his own practice in a small community after graduating from dental school; he opened the office of Russell H. Pitch, D.D.S. in Paxton in November 1976; he moved his office into a new building on Market Street in Paxton in June 1991; he retired in September 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch was a member of the Paxton Fire Department for 39 years, where he served as chief from 1995 to 2002; he was also a member of the Illinois Dental Association and the NRA; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch was known as "Russ" or "Doc" to many; he enjoyed shooting, photography, driving his corvette, and

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1 reading books about military history; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch was preceded in death by his parents;
3 his son, Christopher Russell Pitch; and his sisters, Karen
4 Krumpen and Arlene Pitch; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Pitch is survived by his wife, Phyllis; his
6 children, Penny (Mike) Murphy, Michael (Kurt Zeigler) Pitch,
7 and Ginger (Zach) Flahaven; and his grandchildren, Sydney
8 Murphy, Connor Murphy, Sloane Flahaven, and Hollis Flahaven;
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Russell H. Pitch, D.D.S. and extend our sincere condolences to
13 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Dr. Pitch as an expression of our
17 deepest sympathy.