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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 John Henry "Red" Lofton, who passed away on February 22, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, John Lofton was born in Isola, Mississippi to RB Lofton and Pearl Nixon on June 20, 1944; he graduated from McNair High School and received his associate's degree from Coahoma Jr. College and his bachelor's degree from Alcorn State University; he married Ruby McCamury on May 31, 1975; and

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WHEREAS, John Lofton always believed in hard work; he established his work ethics in the cotton fields of Mississippi and was employed at the Walgreens in Chicago while attending high school and throughout junior college; and

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WHEREAS, John Lofton chose a life of protection and service; over 30 years of his life were dedicated to the Illinois State Police, and he was honored to serve as an officer for the FAA; even during his years of retirement, he was the Director of Security at Chicago City Colleges; he was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army Reserve after serving 15 years; and

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1 WHEREAS, John Lofton committed to his faith at an early
2 age; while living in Chicago, he was a member of Holy Sanctuary
3 and Friendship Baptist Churches; he was a strong, supportive,
4 and protective husband and father; and

5 WHEREAS, John Lofton was preceded in death by his parents
6 and his siblings, Berthea, Herman, Jennette, and Sammie; and

7 WHEREAS, John Lofton is survived by his wife, Ruby; his
8 sons, Marvin and Don Ragsdale; his daughters, Sharon (Michael)
9 Johnson and Jonnetter; his siblings, Annette (Cecil) Lampton,
10 Billy and Thomas Lofton, Hattie Toy, Vickie L. Floyd, Willie
11 (Angela) Lofton, and Willie Ann Moss; and numerous
12 grandchildren, great-grandchildren, godchildren, nieces,
13 nephews, other relatives, friends, and co-workers; therefore,
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
17 John Henry "Red" Lofton and extend our sincere condolences to
18 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of John Lofton as an expression of our
22 deepest sympathy.