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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 E. Eastman of Moline, who passed away on March 30, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, John Eastman was born to Burtis and Cora (Satern) Eastman in Moline on May 5, 1932; he served in the U.S. Navy as a patternmaker on the USS Prairie from 1952 to 1955; he married Jeanette Soenksen at Grace Lutheran Church in DeWitt, Iowa on October 13, 1957; and

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WHEREAS, John Eastman worked as a patternmaker at Modern Pattern for over 27 years and then at various pattern shops in the Quad Cities; and

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WHEREAS, John Eastman was an active member of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Moline for 65 years; he was an usher, involved with the youth group, and a member of the board of elders and the property committee; and

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WHEREAS, While in the Navy, John Eastman had the opportunity to climb Mount Fuji in Japan; he thoroughly enjoyed the experience and sharing the story of it with his friends and family; he was an avid Chicago Cubs fan; he enjoyed going to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness for

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1 fishing, tenting, and backpacking with friends and family; he
2 loved reading and riding his motorcycle; he was a lover of
3 animals, especially his dog, Digger, and his many cats over
4 the years; and

5 WHEREAS, John Eastman was preceded in death by his
6 parents; his brother, Joseph Eastman; his brothers-in-law,
7 Dick, Floyd, and Lynn Soenksen; and his best friend, Ray
8 Anderson; and

9 WHEREAS, John Eastman is survived by his wife; his
10 daughters, Jeanne (Kelvin Faur) Eastman and Jill (Wayne)
11 Eastman-Foss; his sisters-in-law, Rosella Eastman, Ann
12 Soenksen, Judy Soenksen, and JoAnn (Dale) Greve; his
13 brother-in-law, Milo (Norma) Soenksen; and his nieces and
14 nephews, including Joe Eastman and Becky (Sid) Gardner;
15 therefore, be it

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

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of John Eastman as an expression of our

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1 deepest sympathy.