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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Gary D. Sparks of Port Byron, who
- 4 passed away on October 19, 2022; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Gary Sparks was born to Roy D. and Patricia M.
- 6 (Donalson) Sparks in Clarksville, Arkansas on January 25,
- 7 1951; he married Janet Sacco in East Moline on July 17, 1971;
- 8 he served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Gary Sparks worked for John Deere Harvester in
- 10 East Moline; he later started Sparks Fiberglass, Inc.,
- 11 retiring after almost 30 years of service in 2013; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Gary Sparks was an avid golfer and enjoyed
- 13 traveling with his wife; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Gary Sparks was known for being extremely active
- 15 and creative by nature; his proudest achievement was the
- 16 success of his children; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Gary Sparks is survived by his wife, Janet; his
- 18 children, Bryan (Mary) Sparks and Dr. Erin (Jonathon Reneau)
- 19 Sparks; his grandson, Silver Sparks; his sister, Peggy Sparks;
- and his brothers, Benjamin Sparks and James Sparks; therefore,

- 1 be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 4 Gary D. Sparks and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 5 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 6 further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the family of Gary Sparks as an expression of our
- 9 deepest sympathy.