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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Robert E. "Bob" Rehse of Joy, formerly  
4 of Moline, who passed away on February 15, 2023; and

5           WHEREAS, Bob Rehse was born to William Benny and Ella  
6 Therese (Thater) Rehse in Moline on October 12, 1941; he  
7 attended McKinley Grade School in Moline; during his  
8 childhood, he was very active in Boy Scouts, earning many  
9 merit badges, awards, and medals, along with his older  
10 brother, Bill, and their father, who was the scout leader; he  
11 held many odd jobs in his youth, including rolling papers for  
12 the rural routes at the Moline Dispatch during high school; he  
13 graduated from Moline High School in 1959 and then studied to  
14 become a tool and die maker; and

15           WHEREAS, Bob Rehse was employed at John Deere Harvester  
16 Works for a few years before being drafted into the U.S. Army,  
17 where he served as a Huey helicopter mechanic with the 1st  
18 Cavalry Division (Airmobile) during the Vietnam War from 1965  
19 to 1967; he then resumed his job at John Deere, where he worked  
20 for 42 years until his retirement in 2001; and

21           WHEREAS, Bob Rehse was a NASCAR fan and enjoyed watching  
22 the races on TV; he also enjoyed watching cooking shows and the

1 occasional football game; and

2 WHEREAS, Bob Rehse was preceded in death by his parents  
3 and his brother; and

4 WHEREAS, Bob Rehse is survived by his niece, Traci (Brent)  
5 Gonet and family, and his special friends, Mike and Christine  
6 Frieden and family; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9 Robert E. "Bob" Rehse and extend our sincere condolences to  
10 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Bob Rehse as an expression of our  
14 deepest sympathy.