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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 Edward John "Ed" Buss of McHenry, who passed away on February 23, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Ed Buss was born on April 17, 1929, and he resided in McHenry his entire life; he excelled in academics and athletics in his youth; he married Joan Theresa in May 1950; and

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WHEREAS, After his father's unexpected passing, Ed Buss assumed the responsibility for his father's auto dealership, Buss Ford, at the age of 18 and became a successful businessman; although he rarely sold a car himself at the dealership, he would take care of problems and give people a ride home when their cars were being serviced; his sons joined the business in the 1970s, and one of his grandsons now runs it; and

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WHEREAS, Ed Buss was a civic-minded individual; he began his political life at the age of 33 in April 1963, running as an independent for the McHenry County Board; during his tenure, he was instrumental in the building of the Charles Miller Road and its bridge; he served on the board for 25 years, retiring in 1988 after spending the last four years

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1 serving as chair; and

2 WHEREAS, Ed Buss coached youth baseball, basketball, and
3 football; he was a lifetime supporter and a member of the
4 McHenry Little League Association Board for 12 years; for his
5 efforts and dedication, he was inducted into the McHenry
6 Little League Association Hall of Fame, and Buss Field in
7 McHenry was named after him; and

8 WHEREAS, Ed Buss's fondest memories were spent at the
9 McHenry Country Club, where he won 13 club championships and
10 13 senior club championships and boasted a best round of 62; he
11 was on the country club board of directors for 12 years and
12 served as president for four years; and

13 WHEREAS, Ed Buss and Joan were members of St. Mary's
14 Church in McHenry for their entire married life; in
15 retirement, he enjoyed playing the stock market and wintering
16 at their home in Surprise, Arizona; and

17 WHEREAS, Ed Buss was preceded in death by his wife of 72
18 years, Joan; his parents, Edward Buss Sr. and Ella (Newman)
19 Buss; his grandson, Ryan; his sister, Betty; and his brother,
20 Bernie; and

21 WHEREAS, Ed Buss is survived by his children, Judie (Leo)

1 Dobner, Bonnie Bjorkman, Patricia (Sig) Schatz, Stephen
2 (Diane) Buss, and Robert (Ann) Buss; his 14 grandchildren; and
3 his 15 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
6 Edward John "Ed" Buss and extend our sincere condolences to
7 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Ed Buss as an expression of our
11 deepest sympathy.