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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of William King "Bill" Little of Rock Island, who passed away on August 28, 2023; and

5 WHEREAS, Bill Little was born to Marshall G. and Winifred 6 K. in Saranc Lake, New York on November 13, 1935; he graduated 7 from Franklin Academy High School in 1954; he completed two 8 years of college studies; he married Betty Little at the 9 American Embassy in Tokyo, Japan on July 15, 1957, and she 10 preceded him in death in January 2021 after 64 years of marriage; and 11

12 WHEREAS, Bill Little served for 20 years in the U.S. Air 13 Force; he enlisted in July 1954 and retired in August 1974; for 14 his military service, he received the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, 15 16 and the Vietnam Service medal; and

WHEREAS, After retiring from the military, Bill Little worked as a legal administrator for a law firm in Charleston, West Virginia and later for Katz, McAndrews, Durkee & Telleen in Rock Island; and

21 WHEREAS, Bill Little was a member of the KAABA Shrine, the 1 Scottish Rite Valley of Moline, Trio Lodge 57 AF&AM, and the

- 2 Air Force Sergeants Association; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Bill Little was an avid golfer who achieved six
- 4 holes-in-one; he was also a lifetime fan of the Los Angeles
- 5 Dodgers, including their earlier days in Brooklyn; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Bill Little was preceded in death by his wife,
- 7 his parents, and his sister; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Bill Little is survived by his children, Dorothy
- 9 (Tim) Brooks and Marshall (Rhonda) Little, and his
- 10 grandchildren, Steve (Sheena) Osborne, Brent (Sadie) Osborne,
- 11 Samantha Gaten, and Minao Little; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 14 William King "Bill" Little and extend our sincere condolences
- 15 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
- 16 it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of Bill Little as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.