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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 Norman N. Neely of Silvis, who passed away on October 4, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Neely was born in Stahl, Missouri to Everett and H. Grace Clifton Neely on January 14, 1931; he graduated from Adair County High School in Novinger, Missouri; he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War; he married Frances "Jean" Griffith in Silvis on July 26, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Neely worked for the railroad from 1949 to 1967; he then worked for Rock Island County as a zoning and building administrator, retiring in 1993; after retirement, he worked for FEMA for 13 years; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Neely was a member of Silvis United Methodist Church, where he was active in the men's group; he was a Carbon Cliff-Barstow school board member for several years, a member of the Silvis Seniors, a member of the Korean War Vets, and a lifelong member of the East Moline VFW; he served as secretary for the Illinois Korean War Veteran's Association; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Neely enjoyed carpentry and woodworking,

1 cooking, wine making, his horses, gardening, and fishing;
2 after retirement he enjoyed traveling and wintering in Texas;
3 he was a great storyteller and loved singing to his children
4 and grandchildren; he also enjoyed plowing snow in the winter;
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6 WHEREAS, Norman Neely was preceded in death by his wife,
7 Jean; two brothers; and five sisters; and

8 WHEREAS, Norman Neely is survived by his children, Joann
9 E. (Lynn) Woodard, Norma J. Neely (Steve Brown), Katherine
10 (Byron) Wetzel, and Norman B. (Wendy) Neely; his
11 grandchildren, Hannah Woodard (David Cross), Nikki Woodard
12 (Devin Winegardner), Cherise Wetzel, Amie Jean Wetzel, Jarret
13 Wetzel, Chelsea (Chase) Geigle, and Megan Neely; his
14 great-grandchildren, Layla Cserepes, Tate Burrow, Tucker
15 Burrow, Ruth Frances Neely, Rowan Geigle, and Cecilia Geigle;
16 his sister, Imogene Bell; and several nieces and nephews;
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Norman N. Neely and extend our sincere condolences to his
21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
22 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Norman Neely as an expression of our
3 deepest sympathy.