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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 Jerome Floyd "Jerry" Brown of Tremont, who passed away on January 25, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry Brown was born to Arnold and Betty (Black) Brown in Pekin on February 12, 1947; he served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany; he married Deborah Hoagland in Pekin on February 27, 1970; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry Brown worked at Caterpillar Inc. in East Peoria and was a member of the United Auto Workers (UAW), serving as a past chief union steward and bargaining chairman and as the former president of the UAW Local 974 in East Peoria; he also worked for the UAW in Detroit, Michigan for seven years; he retired from Caterpillar Inc. and the UAW in 2004; he then served as road commissioner for Elm Grove Township in Tazewell County; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry Brown was an avid fan of the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago Bears; he enjoyed fishing, deer hunting, working in his yard, playing poker at casinos, and staying busy; he loved spending time with his family and watching his grandchildren; and

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1 WHEREAS, Jerry Brown was preceded in death by his parents
2 and his brother, Terry Brown; and

3 WHEREAS, Jerry Brown is survived by his wife of 53 years;
4 his sons, Daniel Brown, James (Mary Beth) Brown, and Jeremy
5 Brown; his grandchildren, Ashley, Braden, Bryce, Emma, Alex,
6 Blake, and Drew; his great-grandson, Kelan; his brothers, Mike
7 (Pat) Brown and Kevin (Julie) Brown; and his sister-in-law,
8 Jeanie Brown; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Jerome Floyd "Jerry" Brown and extend our sincere condolences
12 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Jerry Brown as an expression of our
16 deepest sympathy.