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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 Russell R. "Russ" Kinzinger of Hanna City, who passed away on January 30, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Russ Kinzinger was born in Washington, Illinois to Roy and Barbara (May) Kinzinger on November 3, 1928; he served in the United States Navy during World War II; he was married to Barbara Linn from 1954 to 1956, Joyce Lamb from 1962 to 1980, and Karan DeKraker from 2002 to 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Russ Kinzinger retired in 1981 from Hiram Walker and Sons Distillery after 30 years; he owned and operated the Owl's Nest Tavern in West Peoria from 1980 to 1996; he established three other businesses in Peoria, KAT Amusements, Owl Darts, and several Darts 'N Pool retail outlets throughout the Midwest; and

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WHEREAS, Russ Kinzinger was a member of Elks Lodge #20 in Peoria, the Izaak Walton League of America, and the Illinois Liquor Association for many years; and

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WHEREAS, Russ Kinzinger was preceded in death by his first wife, Barbara; his second wife, Joyce; his third wife, Karan; his brother, Robert Kinzinger; and his sister, Frances Volk;

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2 WHEREAS, Russ Kinzinger is survived by his children, David
3 (Jackie) Kinzinger, Lisa (Randy) Massey, and Bryan Kinzinger;
4 his stepdaughters, Cindy (Jim) Green and Cheryl (Brad) Bjerke;
5 his grandchildren, Adam (Alex) Kinzinger, Alexandria (Jake)
6 Todino, Jennifer (Brad) Henz, Samantha Massey, Jessica (Paul)
7 Karstensen, Olivia Massey, Myranda Massey, Addison Massey,
8 Skylar Kinzinger, Slayde Kinzinger, Kurt Green, Jake Green,
9 Alex Bjerke, and Lauren Bjerke; and his great-grandchildren,
10 Emma, Carter, Henry, and Hazely; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Russell R. "Russ" Kinzinger and extend our sincere condolences
14 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Russ Kinzinger as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.