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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 John D. "Jack" McDermott of Chatham, who passed away on July 20, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Jack McDermott was born to George and Elizabeth (Darrah) McDermott in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on May 8, 1936; he attended Immaculate Conception Catholic Grade School and Northeast Catholic High School in Philadelphia; he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from La Salle College in Philadelphia, where he served as secretary, treasurer, vice-president, and president of the La Salle College Evening Division-Student Congress and was a member of Cross Keys Student Service Fraternity; he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1956, serving as a helicopter mechanic in Korea before being honorably discharged in 1962; he married Mary S. Killeen at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Philadelphia on September 27, 1958; and

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WHEREAS, Jack McDermott took care of his family by working multiple jobs at a time, including driving a chicken delivery car at night; he was employed with Standard Pressed Steel, 3M, and Morton Salt in Pennsylvania; while employed with the DICKEY-john Corporation, he moved his family to Illinois, and he went on to work with Meyer Snow Plow; over the years, he

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1 worked for several local dealerships, including Young Motors,
2 Tjelmeland Laketown Automotive, Parkway Motors, and Honda of
3 Illinois; in retirement, he opened McDermott Motors in
4 Springfield; and

5 WHEREAS, Jack McDermott knew the value of generosity and
6 possessed a giving heart; he enjoyed giving treats to any dog
7 he met; he treasured spending time with his family; and

8 WHEREAS, Jack McDermott was the husband of Mary S.
9 McDermott; the father of Mary Seton (Bill) Smart, Eileen
10 (Steve) Parn, John (Connie) McDermott Jr., Joan (Tim) Casper,
11 and Bill (Kristin) McDermott; the grandfather of 17; the
12 great-grandfather of nine; the brother of Betty (Jim) Duffy
13 and Peggy (Bill) Rose; and the best friend of the Bobby (Joan)
14 Croke; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
17 John D. "Jack" McDermott and extend our sincere condolences to
18 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Jack McDermott as an expression of
22 our deepest sympathy.