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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 Wilfred David "Bill" Corum of Frankfort, Kentucky, formerly of Pekin and Peoria, who passed away on February 24, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Corum was born to Lloyd and Sallie Corum in Elmwood on January 13, 1932; he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War; he married Shirley Joan Workman in Williamsfield on November 15, 1959; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Corum worked as a line inspector for Caterpillar, Inc. in East Peoria for 40 years; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Corum and his wife, Shirley, were members of United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 974 Retirees in East Peoria, where he served as secretary; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Corum was a person of faith and a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church of Charleston; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Corum was an outstanding woodworker, craftsman, and fixer, and he and his wife enjoyed working on many projects together at their home and in their yard; he enjoyed relaxing by watching television, movies, and music

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1 videos on YouTube; he loved telling good stories and quoting
2 lines from his favorite movies; and

3 WHEREAS, Bill Corum was very funny, entertaining people
4 with his wit and charm; he deeply loved his family, and he took
5 great pride in teaching and providing for his children and
6 grandchildren; and

7 WHEREAS, Bill Corum was preceded in death by his wife; his
8 parents; his brother, Edward Corum; and his sisters, Lucille
9 Green and Margaret Taylor; and

10 WHEREAS, Bill Corum is survived by his children, Jan
11 (Dave) VanGorder and Rev. Tom (Stephanie) Corum; his
12 grandchildren, Ashleigh (Donovan) Tilk, Jacqueline (Kelley
13 Farley) Corum, and Benjamin Corum; his great-grandsons, Henry
14 "Hank" Tilk and Wesley Tilk; and several nieces and nephews;
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 William David "Bill" Corum and extend our sincere condolences
19 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
20 it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Bill Corum as an expression of our
2 deepest sympathy.