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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 Bill Springer of Equality, who passed away on May 16, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Springer was born to William J. and Nigel Bernice (Holt) Springer in Millheim, Pennsylvania on July 17, 1955; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Springer worked as a diesel mechanic inspector for the Department of the Army; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Springer was a Mason and Shriner and took great pride in the work they did; his most notable activity was dressing as Santa Claus every year for over 25 years; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Springer led a varied and colorful life with many hobbies; when he was younger, he was accomplished in martial arts; he enjoyed playing pool throughout his life, participating in many leagues and tournaments, and he loved riding motorcycles; he was fond of a good meal and was an accomplished cook with an especially memorable fish soup; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Springer was a man of faith and an ordained minister; he will be remembered for his huge heart and his

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1 willingness to help others; and

2 WHEREAS, Bill Springer is survived by his wife, Jan; his
3 children, Christina Massow, Bigg (Lacey) Springer, Marc
4 (Ashley) Matulis, and Erin (Cyle) Murdoch; his grandchildren,
5 Chelsea (Jacob) Rash, Aprilia Massow, Quentin Perry, Avery
6 Springer, Preston Matulis, Olivia Matulis, and Laken Murdoch;
7 his great-grandchild, Braelyn Rash; and his close friend, Jon
8 Ward; 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 Bill Springer and extend our sincere condolences to his
12 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
13 further

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