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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the tragic death of Army Spc. William D. Dusenbery of Fairview Heights on November 15, 2003, in Iraq; and

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WHEREAS, Spc. Dusenbery spent a good part of his life in the Fairview Heights area; he also lived in California, Oregon, and Chicago before joining the Army in 2001 at age 29 with the thought of making a career in the Army; he trained as a Black Hawk engine and propulsion system mechanic at Fort Eustis, Virginia; and

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WHEREAS, Spc. Dusenbery, who went by his middle name, Dave, was a crewman with the 4th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) in Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Army Spc. William D. Dusenbery will be deeply felt by many, especially his father, William D. Dusenbery; his mother, Nancy Medcalf; his stepmother, Nancy Kaprelian; his 7-year-old daughter, Aubrey Dusenbery; his 11-year-old stepdaughter, Shalice Johnson; and his special friend whom he planned to marry, Jessica Wheat; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the tragic death of Army Spc. William D. Dusenbery along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Army Spc. William D. Dusenbery as a token of our deepest sympathy.

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