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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death in Iraq of Sergeant Pedro J. Colon of 4 Cicero, on February 19, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Pedro Colon spent his high school days in Cicero,
6 living off the streets and at times as a homeless teenager;
7 through his determination to not be just another statistic,
8 Pedro Colon graduated from Morton East High School in May of
9 2001 and joined the United States Army in August of the same
10 year; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Pedro Colon was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division; he worked as a power generation equipment repairer; he had been on this tour in Iraq since November of 2006; during his time of duty he had received six service medals; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Colon overcame many obstacles in his young life through a positive attitude and a willingness to succeed; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with

- 1 his family and many friends from Morton East High School, the
- 2 passing of Sergeant Pedro J. Colon; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Sergeant Pedro J.
- 4 Colon and his willingness to serve his country, which led to
- 5 him making the ultimate sacrifice.