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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 Mark Alan Darnell of Benton, Louisiana, formerly of Akin, who passed away on May 5, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Darnell was born on April 21, 1946, in Akin; he was the son of Carl F. "Pat" Darnell and Dana (Marquis) Darnell; he was a graduate of Benton High School; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Darnell served his country with pride and distinction as a member of the United States Army; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Darnell loved horses and worked in the thoroughbred horse industry for many years in many capacities; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Darnell was preceded in death by his loving companion, Louise Fricks; his parents; his sister, Lois Mae Andriano; and his brothers, Carl Dean Darnell, Bill Darnell, and Jesse Darnell; and

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WHEREAS, Mark Darnell is survived by his brothers, Donald Darnell, Ronald Darnell, Jimmy Darnell, and Phil Darnell; his sister, Edna Williams; his loving companion's daughter, Tracy (John) Thadford; his "grandchildren", Kami and Ashlyn Lodwig;

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1 and his many nieces, nephews, and cousins; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
4 his family and friends, the passing of Mark Alan Darnell; and
5 be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Mark Darnell as an expression of our
8 sympathy.