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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 35-year firefighting veteran, Randall "Randy" Mortland of East Alton, who passed away on August 24, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Randall Mortland was born on September 4, 1954 to Lester L. and Helen "Bunny" (nee Fischer) Mortland; he graduated from East Alton-Wood River High School in 1972; he worked for Federal Steel for a short time and then began is career as a firefighter; and

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WHEREAS, Randall Mortland worked his way up through the ranks, becoming Lieutenant in 1989 and Captain in 2000; he became Chief of the East Alton Fire Department on January 1, 2006; he retired in November 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Randall Mortland continued to give back to his community as a village trustee during his retirement; and

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WHEREAS, Randall Mortland saw firefighting become a family affair when his son, Andrew "Drew" Mortland, was sworn in as a firefighter for East Alton; and

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WHEREAS, Randall Mortland married Debbie (nee Allsman)

1 McGee on July 29, 2013; and

2 WHEREAS, Randall Mortland enjoyed spending time with his  
3 family, friends, his 2 basset hounds, Otis and Ellie, and  
4 watching NASCAR; and

5 WHEREAS, Randall Mortland was preceded in death by his  
6 parents and by his brother, William "Bill" Mortland; and

7 WHEREAS, Randall Mortland is survived by his wife, Debbie;  
8 his son, Drew (Laurie) Mortland; his soon-to-be granddaughter,  
9 Josephine "Joey" Mortland; his step-son, Seth (Kayla) McGee;  
10 his step-daughter, Cassi McGee; his brother, Greg (Lana)  
11 Mortland; his sister-in-law, Judy Mortland; his aunt,  
12 Elizabeth "Betty" (nee Mortland) Fisher; his niece, Amy (Tim)  
13 Cadigan; his nephews, Rob (Lynn) Helmkamp, Brad (Donna)  
14 Mortland, and Dean (Tami) Mortland; his great-nieces and  
15 nephews; and his great-great-nephew; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
18 Randall "Randy" Mortland, and extend our sincere condolences to  
19 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Randall Mortland as an expression of  
2 our deepest sympathy.