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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Jeffrey 4 A. Lovett, who passed away on July 10, 2016, surrounded by his 5 family; and

6 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Lovett was born in Temple, Texas to Donald 7 Lovett and Carol Pulver on March 18, 1958; he attended Dixon 8 High School, where he met his future wife, Lisa; the two were 9 high school sweethearts and married in 1974 and had two amazing 10 daughters, Heather and Sarah, who blessed him with four 11 grandchildren, Haley, Lillian, Katherine, and Marianna; and

12 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Lovett graduated from Dixon High School in 13 1976 and continued his studies at Sauk Valley College, where he 14 earned an Associate's Degree; he continued his education at 15 Northern Illinois University graduating with a Bachelor of 16 Science in Finance; and

WHEREAS, After the completion of his formal educational studies, Jeffrey Lovett entered the workplace as a loan officer for the State Bank of Paw Paw; in 1985, he began a new job at Dixon National Bank as an Assistant Vice-President in the loan department; and HR1367 -2- LRB099 22550 MST 49976 r
1 WHEREAS, In 1992, Dixon National Bank was sold to AMCORE,
2 and Jeffrey Lovett was made Senior Vice-President/Chief
3 Lending Officer, a position he held until 1999 when he was made
4 the President/Chief Operation Officer; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2010, Midland States Bank purchased the AMCORE 6 banks that Jeffrey Lovett managed and named him one of three 7 Regional Market Presidents, having oversight of the branches in 8 Dixon, Freeport, Sterling, Rock Falls, Princeton, Peru, and 9 Mendota; despite going through many name changes at various 10 banks and companies, he was dedicated to his community; and

11 WHEREAS, While Jeffrey Lovett lived in Ashton, he served on 12 the village board and was the President of the Ashton Lions Club; when he moved to Dixon, he continued his involvement with 13 14 the Lions Club, serving as a past President; he also was 15 involved with the Dixon YMCA and the Dixon Petunia Festival and was a board member of Sinnissippi Centers; he was involved with 16 the Ronald Reagan Boyhood Home Preservation Foundation and 17 served several terms as the President of the Belted Galloway 18 Association; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Lovett was a lifelong student of history 21 with a passion studying the Civil War and genealogy, a love and 22 passion he shared with his two daughters, Heather and Sarah; 23 and 1 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Lovett loved his family and cared deeply 2 for his local community, frequently going out of his way to 3 lend a hand to those in need; he will be dearly missed by his 4 loving family, close friends, and his community; therefore, be 5 it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 7 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 8 mourn the passing of Jeffrey A. Lovett, and extend our sincere 9 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved 10 him; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 12 presented to the family of Jeffrey Lovett as an expression of 13 our deepest sympathy.