SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Andrew C. Rheintgen of Round Lake Beach, who passed away on February 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was born in 1976 in Highland Park; his parents were Ward Rheintgen and Carolyn Gordon; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was a graduate of Libertyville High School and Western Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was a Vernon Hills police officer for 16 years and a member of the Fraternal Order of Police; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was a recipient of a Lifesaving Award for rescuing a resident from a burning house before firefighters arrived; he also received a commendation in 2014 for his role in the arrest of a suspected serial arsonist; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was active in the department's community events, including National Night Out and the Special Olympics; he was also a "fanatical" supporter of the Chicago Bears, being a longtime season-ticket holder and often bringing his fellow police officers to games; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen was preceded in death by his brother, Gary Gordon; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Rheintgen is the loving husband of Susan, whom he married on June 2, 2007 in Itasca, and an adoring father to Emily Rheintgen; he is also survived by his mother, Carolyn (Bruce) Gordon; his father, Ward (Carol) Rheintgen; and his siblings, Elizabeth (Michael) Downs, Michael (Christine) Riordan, and Jeff Gordon; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his family and friends, mourn the passing of Andrew C. Rheintgen; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Andrew Rheintgen as an expression of our sympathy.

