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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 Donald James Lanpher of Rock Island, who passed away on March 25, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher was born on September 16, 1928 in Grand Rapids, Michigan; his parents were Gerald and Marian Tow Lanpher; his family eventually moved to East Moline, where he graduated from United Township High School in 1946; he married Jean Eileen Pulliam on December 10, 1949 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher served in the United States Marine Corps from 1952 to 1954; he retired from the United States Department of the Army after 37 years of service in 1983, having risen from machinist apprentice to a chief in the Maintenance Directorate at the United States Armament Command at the Rock Island Arsenal; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher was a talented woodworker who loved working on his projects in his shop in the basement; he was a mechanic for a short time in the years after high school and maintained his fascination with cars throughout his life; one of his favorite activities was to travel the Midwest with his wife on the hunt for their antique collection; he was also very

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1 active in the National Active and Retired Federal Employees
2 Association, Blackhawk Chapter 338; and

3 WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher served as an elder at Holy Cross
4 Missouri Synod Lutheran Church in Moline; and

5 WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher was preceded in death by his
6 parents; his wife, Jean; his son, John Lanpher; and his
7 brother, Bob Lanpher; and

8 WHEREAS, Donald Lanpher is survived by his daughter,
9 Katherine Lanpher, and his grandsons, John Lanpher and Jason
10 Lanpher; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
13 family and friends, mourn the passing of Donald James Lanpher;
14 and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Donald Lanpher as an expression of
17 our sympathy.