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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 Robert J. Ford, Sr. of Moline, who passed away on April 12, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. was born on February 28, 1923 in Chicago; his parents were David George and Rose Mary Passman Ford; he married Virginia Latham on July 15, 1950 in Davenport; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. served in the United States Army Air Corps, piloting a B-24 Liberator during World War II; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. was employed at Deere and Company in Moline for 30 years; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. was a member of Christ the King Church in Moline; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. was an avid member of the Alleman Pioneer Booster Club and was a fan of the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears; he also enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. was preceded in death by his

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2 WHEREAS, Robert Ford, Sr. is survived by his wife,
3 Virginia; his children, Bob (Linda) Ford, Jr., Tim (Julianne)
4 Ford, Terry (Mary Beth) Ford, and Rick (Jackie) Ford; his
5 grandchildren, Sarah Ford, Rachel Childs, Katie Kauffman, Ryan
6 Ford, Chris Ford, Jami Parise, Terry Ford, Jr., Casie Layer,
7 Ben Ford, and Emily Ford; and his 10 great-grandchildren;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
11 family and friends, mourn the passing of Robert J. Ford, Sr.;
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Robert Ford, Sr. as an expression of
15 our sympathy.