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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 Otto E. Ehm of Rock Island, who passed away on April 24, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Otto Ehm was born on June 30, 1929; his parents were Otto and Friederika Ehm; he married Beverly Bayness on June 29, 1950; she passed away on April 2, 1976; he later married LaDema Andrews on August 27, 1977; she passed away on June 18, 1994; and

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WHEREAS, After finishing high school, Otto Ehm enlisted in the United States Marine Corps; he was later employed as an equipment specialist with the United States Army Weapons Command at the Rock Island Arsenal, where he retired in February of 1988 after 38 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Otto Ehm enjoyed golfing, working out at the Rock Island Fitness and Activity Center, traveling, dancing, reading, and attending the sporting events of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; he was also an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan; and

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WHEREAS, Otto Ehm was a member of the Moline American Legion Post 246, the Polka Club of Iowa, the Mississippi Valley

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1 Country Music Association, and the National Association of
2 Retired Federal Employees; and

3 WHEREAS, Otto Ehm was preceded in death by his parents; his
4 sister, Mary Margaret; his first wife, Beverly; and his second
5 wife, LaDema; and

6 WHEREAS, Otto Ehm is survived by his son, William (Pam)
7 Ehm; his stepdaughters, Barbara (Bill) Esp, Cheryl (Steve)
8 Osborne, and Diane (Jim) Bailey; his step-grandchildren, Megan
9 (Abe), Matthew, Danielle (Kevin), Derek, Lindsey, and Andrew;
10 his grandchildren, DeAnna Bush, Angella (Lance) Dieterich, and
11 Aaron Ehm; his great-grandchildren, Cheyenne, Cody, and Cierra
12 Bush and Lane, Billie, and Taylor Dieterich; and his special
13 friend, Joyce Geiger; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
16 family and friends, mourn the passing of Otto E. Ehm; and be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Otto Ehm as an expression of our
20 sympathy.