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1 SENATE RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Richard E. "Dick" Walters of Woodstock, 4 who passed away on July 6, 2016; and 5 WHEREAS, Richard Walters was born on September 20, 1942 in 6 Woodstock; his parents were Ervin and Lucille Walters; he 7 married Donna Gile on July 8, 1961; and 8 WHEREAS, Richard Walters graduated from Alden-Hebron High 9 School; and WHEREAS, Richard Walters farmed all of his life; his love 10 11 and passion for the land and what it could produce was 12 recognized when he was named the State of Illinois Outstanding 13 Young Farmer; he also received the National Young Farmer Award; 14 and 15 WHEREAS, Richard Walters served on the Woodstock District 16 200 School Board and was President for eight years; he was 17 involved in and committed to supporting the farming community; he served on the boards of the Illinois FFA, the McHenry County 18 19 Farm Bureau, Conserve FS, and Growmark, Inc.; he was also a

member of Grace Lutheran Church in Woodstock; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Richard Walters was preceded in death by his son,
- 2 Kenneth; his granddaughter, Jamie; and his parents; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Richard Walters is survived by his loving wife,
- 4 Donna; his daughters, Janet (Steven) Rouse, Sandra (Jeffory)
- 5 Harris, and Nancy (William) Beaman; his grandchildren,
- 6 Jonathan and Jenna Rouse, Grant Jackson, Ryan, Benjamin and
- 7 Evan Harris, and Richard, Cathryn, and Aric Beaman; his sister,
- 8 Judith (Thomas) Atkinson; his brother, Daniel Walters; and many
- 9 cherished nephews, nieces, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law,
- 10 aunts, uncles, and cousins; 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 Richard E. "Dick"
- 14 Walters; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Richard Walters as an expression of
- our sympathy.