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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 David Webster of Geneva, who passed away on July 10, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, David Webster was born on January 5, 1941 in Boston, Massachusetts; his parents were David and Kathleen Webster; and

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WHEREAS, David Webster graduated from Boston English High School in 1958; he earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Physiology from Boston University; and

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WHEREAS, David Webster served in the United States Marine Corps from 1958 to 1963; and

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WHEREAS, David Webster played first singles tennis at Boston University from 1959 to 1962; he played in the Junior Davis Cup second singles and was in a round of 16 finalists at the Junior Wimbledon in England in 1960; he was a U.S. Open qualifier in 1962 and competed in gymnastics at Boston University; he was the all-around winner at the New England Gymnastics Championships in 1961 and a NCAA finalist in 1961; in 1962, he was named a Modern Gymnast Magazine All-American; after college, he served as the strength coach for the Boston

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1 Patriots; and

2 WHEREAS, After moving to Glen Ellyn, David Webster coached  
3 and taught at the College of DuPage from 1969 to 1999; he  
4 served as the men's and women's tennis and gymnastics coach,  
5 assistant football coach, assistant and head hockey coach,  
6 interim athletic director, and kinesiology professor; he  
7 inspired generations of student athletes and his tennis teams  
8 were nationally ranked in the NJCAA Top 12 seven times; he had  
9 128 State champions in both singles and doubles and over 20  
10 All-Americans; as the College of DuPage gymnastics coach, he  
11 had 60 national medalists, 300 lifetime wins, and 30 National  
12 Champions and All-Americans in 14 years; he was an  
13 International Gymnastics Judge, having judged the Olympic  
14 trials in 1968 and 1972; he was inducted into the Gymnastics  
15 Hall of Fame in 1989; and

16 WHEREAS, David Webster was preceded in death by his parents  
17 and his sisters, Marion and Donna; and

18 WHEREAS, David Webster is survived by his wife of 36 years,  
19 Barbara Webster; his children, Pamela (Ray) Webster  
20 Richardson, Allison (Andy) Webster Stromberg, Elizabeth  
21 (Christoph) Groth, and Andrew (Purani) Webster; and his  
22 grandchildren, Marena and Nalin Richardson, Isabelle and Tess  
23 Stromberg, and Maximillian Groth; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
3 family and friends, mourn the passing of David Webster; and be  
4 it further

5           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the family of David Webster as an expression of  
7 our sympathy.