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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of James G. Ball of Rock Island, who passed
4 away on July 20, 2016; and

5 WHEREAS, James Ball was born on April 29, 1932 in
6 Belleview; his parents were Ray A. and Leota M. Gill Ball; and

7 WHEREAS, James Ball served his country in the United States
8 Army during the Korean War; he was discharged at the rank of
9 sergeant; and

10 WHEREAS, James Ball attended school in Belleview and at
11 Pleasant Hill Community High School; and

12 WHEREAS, James Ball worked as a truck driver for Kraft
13 Foods; he later worked at A.N.R. Trucking and at other
14 companies, including Eastern Express; after his retirement, he
15 worked at the Milan Manor as a maintenance man; and

16 WHEREAS, James Ball had a passion for cars, building them
17 and racing the ones he built at the 34 Raceway Park in
18 Burlington and the Davenport Fairgrounds; after his marriage to
19 Leah Stahl, he enjoyed working as her sound man when she sang
20 country and gospel music at various locations in the Midwest;

1 he also helped in his neighborhood with repairs and remodeling;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, James Ball was preceded in death by his parents;
4 his children, Timothy and Susan; and his grandson, John; and

5 WHEREAS, James Ball is survived by his wife, Leah; his
6 daughters, Lin (Rich) Templeton and Ann Kennison; his
7 grandsons, Jeremy, Jacob, and Jordan Lindle and J.T. Crownover;
8 his granddaughters, Alison and Haley Crownover; his
9 great-granddaughters, Kylee, Penelope, and Eliza Lindle; his
10 stepchildren, Cathy Mackay and John Stahl; and his sister,
11 Louise Stromberg; therefore, be it

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

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of James Ball as an expression of our
18 sympathy.