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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 Michael H. Cooney of Woodstock, who passed away on October 28, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Cooney was born in Woodstock to Donald J. and Beatrice M. (Menzel) Cooney on December 21, 1953; he graduated from Marian Central Catholic High School in 1973 and studied at McHenry County College before transferring to the Worsham College of Mortuary Science, graduating in 1977; he married Deborah M. Curtis at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Palatine on March 11, 1983; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Cooney worked in the funeral industry for over 40 years; he was an owner of Schneider Leucht Merwin & Cooney Funeral Home for the last 28 years; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Cooney volunteered at the local hospital for many years during the holiday season, playing Santa Claus for the children; he enjoyed going on vacations with his family, traveling to many destinations, but his favorites were Florida and the Great Smoky Mountains; he was affectionately known as "Chief"; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Cooney was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his son-in-law, Tyler Young; and his mother-in-law,  
2 May-June Curtis; and

3 WHEREAS, Michael Cooney is survived by his wife, Deborah;  
4 his son, Shawn M. (Janice) Cooney; his daughter, Erin M. Young;  
5 his grandchildren, Lillian, Margaret, Clara, and Kade; his  
6 siblings, Patrick Cooney, Debra (Dan) Riggle, Timothy (Linda)  
7 Cooney, Daniel (Sue) Cooney, and Kevin Cooney; his  
8 father-in-law, Edward Curtis; his sister-in-law, Terry (Mark)  
9 Walke; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins,  
10 "adopted" children, and very dear friends; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13 Michael H. Cooney, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
14 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
15 further

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