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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Ed Isaac "Butch" Day of Gibson City, who 4 passed away on May 12, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Ed Day was born in Bloomington to Clyde Isaac and Rose Marie (Gusler) Day on August 27, 1952; at the age of nine, he started working for the family business, Day Drainage; he graduated from Gibson City High School in 1971, where he participated in football, wrestling, and the Future Farmers of America; he attended Parkland College, where he worked at the college radio station 88.7; he married Lorri Denny in Gibson City on August 16, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Ed Day owned Ed Day Earthmoving in the 1980s; he was an operator for Stark Excavating and a foreman for Cross Construction; he retired in 2014, but continued to work, and was most recently working for Lee Farms; he was a member of American Backhoe Excavating Union No. 841 and No. 150; and

WHEREAS, Ed Day was recently elected alderman to Ward 3 in Gibson City; he had many projects he was hoping to accomplish, including a skate park for the youths of Gibson City; and

WHEREAS, Ed Day enjoyed music and playing his guitar; he

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- was a member of the bands Quarry Renegade and Bastelle; his
 favorite types of music were rock 'n' roll and the blues; he
 also enjoyed science fiction and alien movies, reading
 nonfiction, biographies, westerns, and Mafia books; he was a
 dedicated Green Bay Packers fan and attended games regularly
 since the 1980s; he also enjoyed attending the Kentucky Derby;
 his other interests included the Chicago Cubs, NASCAR,
- 9 WHEREAS, Ed Day was preceded in death by his parents and 10 his sister-in-law, Maleda Day; and

photography, and Twitter; and

11 WHEREAS, Ed Day is survived by his wife, Lorri; his 12 children, Paula (Burke) Stanion, April Day, Lisa (Clinton) Wolff, and Eric (Crystal) Day; his stepsons, John (Leslie) 13 14 Denny, Dale (Billie Jo) Denny, Dallas Robinson, and Cody 15 (Angel) Robinson; his grandchildren, Lyla Wolff, Chloe Buchanan, Claire Day, Clover Day, Ashley Denny, Dana Denny, 16 17 Austin Denny, Dakota Denny, Harley Denny, Carissa Denny, 18 Brittany Stanley, Alla Marie Robinson, Brody Robinson, and Brooklyn Robinson; his great-grandchildren, Alea Prince, Mac 19 20 Prince, Rylee Colgrove, and Tatum Denny; his siblings, Dan 21 (Sylvia) Day, Larry (Miriam) Day, Scott (Kate) Day, and Sandra (Dale) Alexander; and many nieces, nephews, and cherished 22 23 friends; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 3 Ed Isaac "Butch" Day, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 4 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 5 further
- 6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 7 presented to the family of Ed Day as an expression of our
- 8 deepest sympathy.