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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Cliff Banks of Oglesby, who passed away 4 on September 19, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Cliff Banks was born in Sasebo, Japan to Gale Glenn and Charlene (Lucas) Banks on November 14, 1956; he graduated from Johnston City High School, where he was voted most likely to succeed; he married Leslie Sawicki in Princeton in June 1996; and

WHEREAS, Cliff Banks was a master carpenter for 40 years, was a member of Carpenters Local #195, and was the construction foreman for local hospitals, a nearby power plant, Target in Peru, and the Starved Rock Welcome Center; he was the mayor of Spring Valley from 2009-2013; and

WHEREAS, Cliff Banks was an active member of the Spring Valley Walleye Club and fished competitively with his wife in the Masters Walleye Circuit; he also raised quail, which were released into the State of Illinois field habitat; he received the Volunteer Award from Horizon House; and

WHEREAS, Cliff Banks was preceded in death by his parents; his grandparents; and his brother-in-law, Robert G. Harrelson;

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- WHEREAS, Cliff Banks is survived by his wife, Leslie; his 2 3 children, Christina (Randall) Romines and Chad (Brooke) Banks; 4 his grandchildren, Carter and Camden Banks and Brian and Lilly 5 Romines; his sisters, Glenda (Danny) Johnston, Tonnie (Chris) 6 Nordmeyer, and Gailene Harrelson; his brothers, Tim (Terri) Banks and Cody Banks; his many nieces and nephews; his friend, 7 8 Gary Casper, who helped daily throughout Cliff's illness; and 9 his loyal companion, Taz; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
 12 Cliff Banks, and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
 13 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 15 presented to the family of Cliff Banks as an expression of our 16 deepest sympathy.