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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. "Plow" Joyce of South Wilmington, who passed away on March 7, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Joyce was born in South Wilmington to Catherine C. (Finn) and Patrick H. Joyce on July 11, 1927; he attended Gardner High School; he was a veteran of the United States Navy and served from 1944 until 1946; he married Elaine Menozzi at St. Lawrence Church in South Wilmington on September 12, 1948; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Joyce was a longtime farmer; he also worked in construction as a laborer; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Joyce served as a Greenfield Township Trustee, a Precinct Committeeman, the first President of the South Wilmington Fire Board, a Director of Blue Cross Blue Shield, and a Director of the Grundy County Farm Bureau; he was a member of the Laborers Union Local #75, St. Lawrence Catholic Church, and the South Wilmington VFW; he enjoyed reading, spending time with his family, working crosswords, and talking politics; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Joyce was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his sisters, Mary, Helen, and Catherine; and his
2 brother, Patrick, in infancy; and

3 WHEREAS, Michael Joyce is survived by his wife, Elaine; his
4 daughters, Cathy (Harry) Walton, Mary Jane Waggoner, and Carol
5 Massa; his sons, Richard (Cathy) Joyce and David (Brenda)
6 Joyce; his grandchildren, Colin (Nicole) Kaestner, Dr. Andrea
7 (Robert) Osborne, Olivia Massa, Courtney Joyce, and Evan Massa;
8 his great-grandchildren, Erik and Liam Kaestner; his sister,
9 Rita Farina and Theresa Phipps; and his brother-in-law, John
10 Orth; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Michael H. "Plow" Joyce and extend our sincere condolences to
14 his 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 Joyce as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.