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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 John R. Sorensen of Woodstock, who passed away on April 22, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, John Sorensen was born in Woodstock to George and Geraldine Sorensen on December 29, 1947; he graduated from Woodstock High School in 1966; he then enlisted in the United States Army and was sent to Fort Belvoir, Virginia for engineer school; he spent the following year at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and then served in Vietnam for 15 months; he married Gail Bartram on May 12, 1972; and

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WHEREAS, John Sorensen worked for Eagle Foods for 31 years and Sam's Club for 13 years; and

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WHEREAS, John Sorensen dedicated his life to helping his fellow veterans; he was a charter member of Amvets Post 269, a life member, past commander, and past chaplain of the American Legion Post 412, a life member and two-time commander of the VFW Post 5040, a life member and past president of the McHenry County Vietnow Chapter, and a life member of DAV; and

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WHEREAS, John Sorenson was a board member and team manager for Little League for more than ten years; he was a member of a

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1 group of 12 Woodstock residents called the "Woodstock Baseball
2 Association"; they were responsible for building the "Dream
3 Field" in City Park; he served as Committee Chairman of the
4 Woodstock Memorial Day Parade, which he directed for eight
5 years, and initiated the display of American flags at the
6 Woodstock Square on patriotic holidays; and

7 WHEREAS, John Sorenson was preceded in death by his
8 parents; and

9 WHEREAS, John Sorenson is survived by his wife, Gail; his
10 children, Robert (Lisa) Sorensen, Chrissy (Brian) Stotland,
11 Karyn (Rob) Pourchot, and Toby (Becca) Sorensen; and his
12 grandsons, Will, Justin, Charlie, Jake, and Josh; therefore, be
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14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 John R. Sorensen and extend our sincere condolences to his
17 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
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19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of John Sorensen as an expression of
21 our deepest sympathy.