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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 C. Zickus, who passed away on June 18, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, John Zickus was born in Waukegan to John and Monica (Masilionas) Zickus on October 15, 1937; he married Diane Murtha on January 14, 1961; and

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WHEREAS, At a young age, John Zickus was apprenticed as a union carpenter and became a fine craftsman, known for his skill and attention to detail; he joined the Waukegan Fire Department in 1964, where he spent 26 years; he retired as a lieutenant and assistant shift commander in 1990; and

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WHEREAS, John Zickus was proud of his Lithuanian heritage and its language, culture, and hearty food, and he loved to share it with family and friends on holidays; and

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WHEREAS, John Zickus loved fishing for walleye, and his family spent many happy vacations at his favorite spot at Woman Lake in Longville, Minnesota; he also enjoyed hunting pheasant with his best canine pal, "Misty", for 16 years; his favorite passion was gardening, where he was renown for his abundance of vegetables; and

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1           WHEREAS, John Zickus was preceded in death by his parents  
2 and his stepfather, John Butkus; and

3           WHEREAS, John Zickus is survived by his wife of 57 years,  
4 Diane; his daughters, Karen (Jim) Avery and Monica Zickus; his  
5 grandchildren, Adam (Jessica), Alec, and Madison Avery; his  
6 great-grandchildren, Lucy Louise Avery; his half-sister, Rose  
7 (Jim) Huisel; his nephews, Steven and Jonathon Huisel; his  
8 brother-in-law, Denny (Judy) Murtha; his sister-in-law, Linda  
9 Sack; and numerous nieces and nephews; 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 John C. Zickus and extend our sincere condolences to his  
13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
14 further

15           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the family of John Zickus as an expression of our  
17 deepest sympathy.