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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Darrell Dean Kehl of Normal, who passed 4 away on August 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl was born to Thomas Dean and Marjorie Eloise Blimling Kehl in Jacksonville on January 24, 1941; he was a 1959 graduate of Normal Community High School and a 1963 alumnus of Illinois State University; he married Karen L. Rees on August 27, 1966; and

WHEREAS, in 1969, Darrell Kehl began working at State Farm as an electronic data processing specialist; he held several data processing jobs before becoming a manager of general services in 1974; he was named executive assistant in the president's office in 1983; he relocated to Lincoln, Nebraska as a deputy regional vice president in 1985; he returned to Bloomington in 1987 to hold the position of vice president systems and retired in 2002 after 33 years of service; and

18 WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl was an active member of the Lexington 19 First United Methodist Church; and

20 WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl was extremely passionate about 21 fast-pitch softball; he played the game for over 20 years with

- 1 Silver Leaf 4-H, Laesch Dairy, GMC Trucks, Ebach Reality, and
- 2 the Bloomington Hearts; in 1988, he was elected into the
- 3 Illinois Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl was a lifetime Los Angeles Dodgers
- 5 and Green Bay Packers fan; he enjoyed his morning trips for
- 6 coffee at Green Gables, Wednesday dinners at Kick's, and an
- 7 occasional ice-cold Stag with friends; he was an avid Redbirds
- 8 fan and received the Joseph F. Warner Golden Redbird Award with
- 9 his wife Karen in 2014; he loved his family and his friends
- 10 dearly; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl was preceded in death by his parents;
- 12 his in-laws, Francis (Buck) and Eva Rees; and his
- 13 brother-in-law, Daniel Koons; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Darrell Kehl is survived by his wife; his
- 15 daughter, Jami (Greg) Head; his granddaughters, Falyn
- 16 Schweitzer and Avery Head; his sister, Darlene Evans; his
- 17 sister-in-law, Kathy Koons; his five nieces; and his three
- 18 nephews; therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 21 Darrell Kehl and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
- friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 2 presented to the family of Darrell Kehl as an expression of our
- 3 deepest sympathy.