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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Donald E. "Gus" Kissel of Springfield, 4 who passed away on September 13, 2020; and

5 WHEREAS, Gus Kissel was born in Ottawa to John F. and Anne 6 (Kelly) Kissel on August 8, 1931; he graduated from St. Bede 7 Academy in Peru and attended Purdue University; he served in 8 the U.S. Army and married Margaret A. Roach at St. Patrick 9 Catholic Church in LaSalle on June 20, 1953; and

10 WHEREAS, Gus Kissel worked for Illinois Bell for 38 years 11 as a forecaster; he retired in 1990; and

12 WHEREAS, Gus Kissel was named to the Chicago Tribune 13 All-State Football Team and is in the St. Bede Athletic Hall of 14 Fame for his football skills; he was a member of the Bell 15 Pioneers and the Elks Lodge; he enjoyed golfing, spending 16 winters in Florida, football, baseball, and reading westerns; 17 and

18 WHEREAS, Gus Kissel was preceded in death by his parents; 19 his granddaughter, Megan Leigh Kissel; and his brother, John F. 20 Kissel; and

-2-LRB101 22310 MST 73352 r WHEREAS, Gus Kissel is survived by his wife, Marge; his 1 2 sons, Tom (Darla), Jim (Tammy), and Ken (Michelle) Kissel; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; his brother, 3 4 Robert (Bebe) Groter; and several nieces and nephews; 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Donald E. "Gus" Kissel and extend our sincere condolences to 8 9 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Gus Kissel as an expression of our 12 13 deepest sympathy.

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