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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the tragic death of Detective William "Wally" Rolniak of Riverdale; and

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WHEREAS, William "Wally" Rolniak was born March 7, 1964 in Chicago and grew up in Dolton; he graduated from Thornton Township High School on June 10, 1982; and

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WHEREAS, He served the United States Air Force from September 1983 through April 1987 before receiving honorable discharge; and

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WHEREAS, Detective Rolniak joined the Riverdale Police Department in 1992 and held the rank of Detective for the last 6 years; during his career with the police department he received several commendations and was recognized as a very effective and sensitive individual when dealing with people; and

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WHEREAS, Detective Rolniak was a 14-year veteran of the department and was the first Riverdale police officer killed in the line of duty; and

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WHEREAS, He was a good police officer, a good family man, the coach of his daughter's softball team, and a fan of the Fighting Illini, the Fighting Irish, and the White Sox; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Detective William "Wally" Rolniak will be deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Maureen; his daughters, Nicole and Denise; his parents, William and Karen Rolniak; and his three sisters, Debbie Rizzi, Michelle Schaller, and Stacey Koontz; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the tragic  
2 passing of Detective William "Wally" Rolniak along with all who  
3 knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his  
4 family, friends, and community; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the family of Detective William "Wally" Rolniak as  
7 an expression of our deepest sympathy.