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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the untimely death of Michael James Dean of Johnston City on Saturday, July 22, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on November 6, 1980, in Carbondale to James Rex and Karolyn Donnette (Hoover) Dean; he graduated from Johnston City High School in 1999 and from Southern Illinois University in 2004 with a B.S. in business management and in 2005 with a master's degree in teaching; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Dean was an umpire for IHSA and did play-by-play for WGGH for Marion and Johnston City High School sports; he was a member of First Christian Church of West Frankfort; he was employed at Sesser-Valier High School as a business/economics teacher and worked for the Williamson County Highway Department; and

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WHEREAS, He was interested in politics, computers, sports, and snow skiing and was an avid Cardinals and Rams fan; he was a proud new homeowner in Benton and lived with his dog, Aspen, and cat, Pelo; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Michael James Dean has been deeply felt by many, especially his mother and father, James Rex and Karolyn Donnette (Hoover) Dean; his sisters, Donellyn Rae Dean and Kara Lyn Dean; his uncle, Ron Hoover and wife Peggy; his uncle, Keith Hoover and wife Susan, and their daughter Danielle; and his many aunts, uncles, great-aunts, great-uncles, and cousins; he was preceded in death by his grandparents, Donal and Margaret Hoover and James and Helen Dean, and his uncle, Randall Hoover; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

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1 Michael James Dean, who was taken from this world too soon, and
2 we extend our sincere condolences to his family, his friends,
3 and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
6 sympathy.