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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Citizens of the State owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to the men and women of the Illinois State Toll
Highway Authority who selflessly work to aid drivers and keep our roadways safe; every day these individuals face risks and often put their personal safety on-the-line to perform their duties; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Vincenzo Petrella of Wheeling, who tragically passed away on January 27, 2014 while helping a motorist whose truck was disabled along the Ronald Reagan Memorial Tollway in Aurora; and

- WHEREAS, Vincenzo Petrella joined the Illinois Tollway in 2001 and was a dedicated employee for 13 years; he worked as a Equipment Operator Laborer since 2005, taking on roadway duties that included assisting stranded drivers; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Vincenzo Petrella was a respected tollway
 18 employee who will always be remembered for the countless lives
 19 he touched; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Vincenzo Petrella was the loving husband of Sandra 21 (nee Shammas); the devoted father of Carmela and Giovanni

- 1 Carlo; the beloved son of Carmela and Carlo Petrella; the
- 2 cherished brother of Maria Petrella; the dear son-in-law of
- 3 Virgine and Sabah Shammas; the brother-in-law of Daniel
- 4 Shammas; and dear cousin and friend to many; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 7 Vincenzo Petrella, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Vincenzo Petrella as an expression
- of our deepest sympathy.