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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Kevin Mose Weiss of Clarksville, Tennessee, who passed away on December 2, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss was born to Kevin and Susan Weiss; he attended McHenry public schools through the 4th grade and then was home-schooled until his sophomore year of high school, when he briefly attended McHenry High School East Campus and then Christian Liberty Academy in Arlington Heights, where he graduated in 2001; and

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WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss enlisted in the United States Army in 2003; he served his country and pursued his dream of flying the Army's Apache helicopters; he completed training after earning a spot in Warrant Officer Candidate School in 2011 and was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss earned numerous decorations and commendations, including the Air Medal; 3 Army commendation medals; the Joint Service Achievement Medal; 2 Army Achievement medals; Combat Action, Army Aviator, Air Assault, and Parachutist badges; the Ranger tab; and numerous campaign and

1 service awards; and

2 WHEREAS, During his youth, Kevin Weiss delivered the
3 Northwest Herald and worked at the McHenry Dam concession
4 stand, where, at age 15, he was recognized for rescuing a trio
5 of fishermen after their boat capsized on the Fox River; he
6 also worked at Bjorkman's Ace Hardware and Adams Outdoor Power
7 Equipment, among other jobs; and

8 WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss enjoyed hunting, target shooting,
9 swimming, boating, water skiing, and driving motorcycles; he
10 was a skilled mechanic and all-around handyman, who often
11 helped repair cars and more for his family and friends; and

12 WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss was preceded in death by his
13 grandparents, Robert and Fran Mertins and H. Howard "Mose" and
14 Jane Weiss; and

15 WHEREAS, Kevin Weiss is survived by his wife of 12 years,
16 Beth; his children, Lucas Mose and Susan Jane; his parents,
17 Kevin and Susan Weiss; his siblings, Joe, Sally, Ben, Nellie,
18 Jessie, Rosie, and Lisa; his parents-in-law, John and Gloria
19 Baran; his uncles, Eric (Mery) Wyss and Robert Mertins; his
20 aunt, Cynthia Wolf; his cousins, Chance Nabar, Colton Mertins,
21 Carson, Dayton, and Calder Wyss, and Niesha and Adrian Boyer;
22 and other distant relatives; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Chief Warrant Officer 2 Kevin Mose Weiss, and extend our
4 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
5 and loved him; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Kevin Weiss as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.