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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 Curtis Henry Bremer of McHenry, who passed away on December 9, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer was born in Lake City, Minnesota to Henry and Clara (Wohlers) Bremer on April 29, 1933; he served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955; following his discharge from active duty, he returned to Minnesota where he completed eight years in the Army Reserve; he married Maria Rehfinger at Trinity Lutheran Church in Maspeth, New York on November 17, 1957; and

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WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer and his wife moved from Minnesota to McHenry in 1959; he was affectionately known as "Mr. Recycle", "Mr. Wonderful", and "Blue"; he was a 53-year member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in McHenry; he was a long-time member of the McHenry Lions Club and volunteered for 26 years with the Heartland Blood Bank; and

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WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer spent over 45 years umpiring, beginning with the McHenry Little League, where he also coached and served as president; he continued umpiring with the Fox Valley Blues; he took 27 trips to officiate at Cooperstown Dreams Park and was inducted into their hall of fame; a ball

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1 field at Petersen Park in McHenry was named in his honor by the  
2 City of McHenry; and

3 WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer served as the McHenry Fiesta Days  
4 Parade Marshal in 2012; he enjoyed square dancing as a member  
5 of the Woodstock Squares, playing cribbage, and poker; he was  
6 known around the area and within his church for his continued  
7 recycling efforts; and

8 WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer was preceded in death by his  
9 parents; his brother, Walter; and his brother-in-law, Donald  
10 Voigt; and

11 WHEREAS, Curtis Bremer is survived by his wife of 60 years,  
12 Maria; his sons, David (Delynn), Stephen (Dana), and Brian  
13 (Jamie); seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; his  
14 sisters, Edith Voigt and Rita(Gary) Steffenhagen; and his  
15 sister-in-law, Betty Bremer; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
18 Curtis Henry Bremer, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Curtis Bremer as an expression of  
2 our deepest sympathy.