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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 Willard Karr "Bill" Davidson, formerly of Gurnee, who passed away on April 20, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Davidson was born in Saginaw, Michigan; he served in the United States Navy, retiring as a chief petty officer; he served on board ships during the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Congo wars, and the Vietnam War; much of his career was spent attached to destroyer ships stationed in San Diego and Guam, with shore duty assignments in San Bernardino, California and Great Lakes; he graduated from Southern Illinois University; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Davidson taught electronics at Lake County College; he then joined Allstate and founded the Davidson Agency in Lake County; and

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WHEREAS, Bill Davidson served as president of the Lake County Association of Life Underwriters and held leadership roles within the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors Lake County Chapter; he was known for his quick wit and magnetic personality; he retired to Fort Myers, Florida and loved fishing, boating, and traveling; and

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1           WHEREAS, Bill Davidson was preceded in death by his  
2 parents, Willard Karr Davidson and Helen Irene Henderson  
3 Davidson Parsons; and

4           WHEREAS, Bill Davidson is survived by his daughters, Dawn  
5 Davidson-Ritacca (Daniel) and Diana Kiesler (Thomas); his  
6 granddaughters, Kaitlyn, Lauren, and Morgan Kiesler and Maria  
7 Ritacca; his lifemate, Patricia Elkin; and his extended family,  
8 including Bethany and Blythe Elkin, many nieces, nephews, and  
9 cousins, and dozens of dear friends of all ages; therefore, be  
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11           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13 Willard Karr "Bill" Davidson, and extend our sincere  
14 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
15 him; and be it further

16           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Bill Davidson as an expression of  
18 our deepest sympathy.