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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of John M. Elliott Jr., who passed away on 4 June 14, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, John Elliott Jr. was born in Rockford to John Sr. 6 and Myrtle (Wiles) Elliott on February 16, 1945; he graduated 7 from Harlem High School, attended Rock Valley College, and 8 served in the United States Air Force for four years; and

WHEREAS, John Elliott Jr. worked at Woodward from 1965 until 2000; after an early retirement, he and his wife purchased the Dairy Depot, and he also began to work as a consultant for American Governor as a leading expert on hydraulic turbine controls; and

WHEREAS, John Elliott Jr. loved community service and worked as a volunteer firefighter for the Loves Park Volunteer Fire Department for over 20 years; he also served on the Boards for the Greater Rockford Airport Authority, Winnebago County, Harlem School, and the Salvation Army; he was a Trustee for the Village of Machesney Park, President of the Parks Chamber of Commerce, and a Booster of the Young at Heart Festival; and

WHEREAS, John Elliott Jr. was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his nephew, Joel Redenius; and his mentor, John

- 2 Krevel; and
- 3 WHEREAS, John Elliott Jr. is survived by his wife of 42
- 4 years, Diane; his son, Steve Elliott; his stepdaughter, Tonya
- 5 Lamia; his brother, Gary (Judi) Elliott; his sisters-in-law,
- 6 Donna (Jim) Carlson and Carolyn Redenius; his nieces, Vera
- 7 Adams, Cameo (Steve) Baehler, Amanda Carlson, Andrea (Tom)
- 8 Farone, Kristin (Dean) Bice, and Dana (Mossy) Vaughn; his
- 9 nephews, Greg (Shelley) Carlson and Donald Swagger; his
- 10 great-nieces and great-nephews; his Dairy Depot Family; and his
- 11 many wonderful family and friends; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 14 John M. Elliott Jr. and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of John Elliott Jr. as an expression of
- 19 our deepest sympathy.