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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 Ross W. Wherry of Moline, who passed away on June 7, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Wherry was born in Springfield to Richard and Doris Wherry on November 30, 1952; he was the first Eagle Scout from Orion Troop 123; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Wherry traveled the world helping others; he served in the United States Marine Corps and the State Department (USAID) and was stationed in Africa, Europe, Central and South America, the Middle East, and Asia; he saved sea turtles, helped farmers, encouraged education, improved access to medical care and clean water, and worked to repair infrastructure in war-torn countries; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Wherry mastered several languages, sang in community and church choirs, played the French horn, and enjoyed the arts; he was an enthusiastic travel guide and history buff; he nurtured gardens, hiked in the National Parks, and remained involved in local theatres and historical preservation; he always found time for a glass of wine, a good cheese, a thick book, a hearty laugh, and sharing stories with family and friends; and

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1 WHEREAS, Ross Wherry was preceded in death by his parents
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3 WHEREAS, Ross Wherry is survived by his wife and daughters,
4 Donna, Kathryn, and Antonia; his siblings, Donald, Maryan, and
5 Chon; and his sisters-in-law, Sharon and Diana; therefore, be
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7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 Ross W. Wherry and extend our sincere condolences to his
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Ross Wherry as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.