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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 James "Jim" Schipper of Hillsdale, who passed away on July 22, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Schipper was born in Clinton, Iowa to Kenneth Schipper and Donna Lynn Juist on December 25, 1960; he attended Geneseo schools and graduated from Erie High School in 1979; he then attended Black Hawk College; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Schipper worked as a farmer; he also owned and operated his own truck and drove for Ace Doran Hauling and Rigging; he received the Million Mile Award as a truck driver; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Schipper loved racing with his family; he enjoyed the mudd boggs at the Bike Barn in Fenton and drag racing at the Cordova drag strip; when he was younger, he went trail riding and participated in horse shows with his mother; he collected and restored Allis-Chalmers tractors with his father and family and had one of the largest collections in the area, which he showed at fairs and parades; for many years, he was a member of the County Line Cruisers Car Club in Erie; he was very involved in his community, volunteering and organizing events such as movie nights and parades in Hillsdale; and

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1           WHEREAS, Jim Schipper was a man of routines; he went to  
2 breakfast everyday at the Pink Pony in Erie and spent every  
3 Sunday night eating Pizza at Bushy's in Lyndon; he enjoyed  
4 socializing with his friends at the Hillsdale Legion and  
5 listening to old country and classic rock on the radio,  
6 especially his favorite band, AC/DC; he would often jump in his  
7 truck to ride around; he loved fireworks and never missed a  
8 show; he always made time to see his friends; and

9           WHEREAS, Jim Schipper was preceded in death by his  
10 grandparents, George and Jenny Schipper; and Gerald and Dorothy  
11 Juist; and

12           WHEREAS, Jim Schipper is survived by his daughter, Nicole  
13 (Steven Carey) Schipper; his sons, Clint (Bailey Kizer)  
14 Schipper and James (Emma Rannfeldt) Jamison; his  
15 grandchildren, Aubrey Carey, Carter Schipper, Brooklyn Goff,  
16 and Tateum and Nova Jamison; his parents, Donna Henningsen and  
17 Kenneth (Eileen) Schipper; his sister, Sue (Keith) Rezin; his  
18 stepbrothers, Jamey and Jason Vermeire; and his special  
19 friends, Kathy, Danny, and Mary Stevens, Brian Rundall, and  
20 Vince Mosher; therefore, be it

21           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 James "Jim" Schipper and extend our sincere condolences to his  
2 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
3 further

4       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
5 presented to the family of Jim Schipper as an expression of our  
6 deepest sympathy.