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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 Lester La Verne Wherry of Rock Island, 4 who passed away on August 13, 2019; and

5 WHEREAS, Lester Wherry was born in Eliza Township in Mercer 6 County to Alden and Lila (Loving) Wherry on May 31, 1932; he 7 graduated from Joy High School in 1950 and served in the U.S. 8 Air Force during the Korean War; he married Carley Fisher at 9 the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa on June 14, 1958; and

WHEREAS, After his service, Lester Wherry worked at Wherry's Tavern in Joy; he then worked for Oscar Mayer in Davenport for 33 years, retiring in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Lester Wherry's memberships included Milan American Legion Post No. 569, Galesburg Moose, and the Mississippi Valley Country and Western Music Association; he enjoyed traveling, deer hunting, music, dancing, and hound dogs, especially "Flying Lady"; and

WHEREAS, Lester Wherry was preceded in death by his wife, Carley; his sons, Dana and Douglas Wherry; his sister and brother-in-law, Vada and Aldus Gridley; and his parents; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Lester Wherry is survived by his son, David 2 (Mariann) Wherry; his niece, Linda (Tom) Williams; his
- 3 great-nieces, Amanda Williams and Tarrah Smith; his
- 4 great-great nieces, Lydia and Emily Skelton; and his special
- 5 friend, Joy Norton and her family; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Lester La Verne Wherry and extend our sincere condolences to
- 9 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Lester Wherry as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.