

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 3-664 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-664)

7 Sec. 3-664. Gold Star license plates. Upon proper  
8 application, the Secretary of State shall issue registration  
9 plates designated as Gold Star license plates to any Illinois  
10 resident who is the surviving widow or widower, to each parent  
11 who is an Illinois resident, and to each Illinois resident who  
12 is a child, stepchild, child through adoption, brother,  
13 half-brother, sister, or half-sister, widower, sibling,  
14 daughter, son, or parent of a person who served in the Armed  
15 Forces of the United States and lost his or her life while in  
16 service whether in peacetime or war. The surviving widow or  
17 widower, each of the parents, and each child, stepchild, child  
18 through adoption, brother, half-brother, sister, or  
19 half-sister ~~and each surviving parent, daughter, son, and~~  
20 ~~sibling~~ shall be issued one or more sets of registration  
21 plates. Registration plates issued under this Section shall be  
22 for first division vehicles and second division vehicles of  
23 8,000 pounds or less. The Secretary may, in his or her

1 discretion, allow the plates to be issued as vanity or  
2 personalized plates in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this  
3 Code. No registration fee shall be required from ~~a~~ surviving  
4 widows, widowers, parents, or children of persons ~~widow,~~  
5 ~~widower, or parent of a person~~ who served in the Armed Forces  
6 of the United States; ~~and lost his or her life while in service~~  
7 ~~while in wartime.~~

8 (1) who lost their lives during World War I, World War  
9 II, or during any subsequent period of armed hostilities  
10 in which the United States was engaged before July 1,  
11 1958;

12 (2) who lost or lose their lives after June 30, 1958:  
13 while engaged in military operations involving conflict  
14 with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with  
15 friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict in  
16 which the United States is not a belligerent party against  
17 an opposing armed force; or

18 (3) who lost or lose their lives after March 28, 1973,  
19 as a result of: an international terrorist attack against  
20 the United States or a foreign nation friendly to the  
21 United States, recognized as such an attack by the  
22 Secretary of Defense; or military operations while serving  
23 outside the United States (including the commonwealths,  
24 territories, and possessions of the United States) as part  
25 of a peacekeeping force.

26 (Source: P.A. 102-106, eff. 1-1-22.)