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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 Darren R. Simmons, who passed away on January 14, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Darren Simmons was born in Granite City to Howard and Roberta Simmons; he was a lifelong resident of Madison County; and

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WHEREAS, Darren Simmons worked as a plan engineer for AT&T, where he was employed for over 20 years; and

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WHEREAS, Darren Simmons enjoyed golfing, spending time at the beach and the neighborhood pool, and watching the Cardinals, the Blues, and NASCAR; he was a talented musician, and his love for music began when he was given a drum set at the age of 5; as an adult, he was a member of Vinnie and the Orphans, Rough Grooved Surface, and the Jack Cass Trio; and

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WHEREAS, Darren Simmons was known for his infectious smile, which will be missed by all who knew him; his biggest accomplishment was being by his daughter's side as he watched her become an independent, successful adult; and

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WHEREAS, Darren Simmons was preceded in death by his

1 father, Howard Simmons; his nephew, Tad Simmons; and his  
2 grandparents; and

3 WHEREAS, Darren Simmons is survived by his wife of 21  
4 years, Kristie; his daughter, Allie; his mother, Roberta  
5 Simmons; his siblings, Linda (Vernon) Uhe, Kelly (Kent) Frey,  
6 Dennis (Karen) Simmons, and Daniel Simmons; and his many  
7 nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins;  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
11 Darren R. Simmons and extend our sincere condolences to his  
12 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Darren Simmons as an expression of  
16 our deepest sympathy.