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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 Wilbert L. Owens of Moline, who passed away on July 16, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens was born in Moline to William and Anna (Johnson) Owens on November 18, 1927; he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War; he married Jane Busenbark on October 20, 1951; they lived in the Village of Cleveland for many years, where they raised their five children; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens worked as a welder for John Deere for 23 years until he retired in 1989; he also served as a trustee for the Village of Cleveland; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens was a member of Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Colona, where he was an active member of the Holy Name Society; he was an avid bowler, hunter, and golfer; he was very proud of his four holes-in-one golfing achievement; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens was a loving husband, father, and grandfather; he will be missed; and

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WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his son, Steven Owens; his siblings, Dick Owens,
2 Denny Owens, Jerry Owens, and Sally (Owens) Krol; and his
3 daughter-in-law, Dennise Owens; and

4 WHEREAS, Wilbert Owens is survived by his wife, Jane; his
5 daughters, Carol Lidholm, Diane (Jeff) Frank, Mary Beth (Mike)
6 Slonecker, and Betty (Greg) Wadsworth; his 11 grandchildren;
7 his nine great-grandchildren; and his several nieces and
8 nephews; 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 Wilbert L. Owens 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 Wilbert Owens as an expression of
16 our deepest sympathy.