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## SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
to learn of the death of Ronald Gene "Ron" Stradt of
Springfield, who passed away on September 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Ron Stradt was born in Davenport, Iowa to Robert Gene Stradt and Helen Sherie Morrow on March 25, 1963; he was raised in Moline and graduated from Moline High School in 1981; he attended the Kansai University of Foreign Languages in Osaka, Japan and received his Bachelor of Arts in Business Management from the University of Maryland; he received his Master of Science in Policy Economics from the University of Illinois and his Juris Doctor from Northern Illinois University in 1996; he served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1983 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, Ron Stradt remained in Tokyo, Japan after being discharged from the military and worked as an associate in the legal affairs department with Honda Motors and as a technical writer with Passage Technical Publishing & Translation; he was previously employed as an attorney at the Illinois Department of Securities, as an Assistant State's Attorney in Rock Island County, as Assistant Attorney General for the State of Illinois, and as Legal Counsel for the Illinois Senate Judiciary Committee; most recently, he was employed as the

- 1 Associate General Counsel at the Illinois Education
- 2 Association in Springfield; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Ron Stradt belonged to the Sangamon County Bar
- 4 Association and the Government Bar Association; he was
- 5 learning to fly, made several solo flights, and was in the
- 6 final stages of qualifying as a pilot; he enjoyed music and
- 7 live concerts and played the drums, saxophone, and quitar; he
- 8 inherited his mother's talent for the piano and could always
- 9 answer a question with a song clip; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ron Stradt's daughter, Sophia, was the light of
- 11 his life; they enjoyed downhill skiing and made numerous trips
- 12 together to Disney World; he relished their time together in
- 13 the kitchen trying new recipes, and the two-story backyard
- 14 playhouse he hand-built for her was a labor of love; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Ron Stradt was preceded in death by his mother,
- 16 Helen Morrow; his stepmother, Carol Stradt; and his niece,
- 17 Sarah Genberg; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Ron Stradt is survived by his father, Robert G.
- 19 Stradt; his daughter, Sophia Stradt; his siblings, Robert P.
- 20 (Julie) Stradt, Sandy (Scott) Genberg, Robyn Stradt (Dale
- Clark), Steve (Kerry) Adams, Mike (Leslie) Adams, Deb (Rod)
- Menken, Craig (Jennifer) Adams, Norine (Brian) Daw, and Dale

- 1 Allen Adams; his stepfather, Dale (Sandy) Adams; his nieces
- 2 and nephews, Kristen (Perry) Stradt-Johnson, Joseph Stradt
- 3 (Hailey Schnowske), Mitchell Genberg, Christopher Genberg,
- 4 Elizabeth Genberg, Michael Nance, Rebecca (Scot) Ahlers,
- 5 Benjamen Steen, Kevin Adams, Elijah Adams, Rebekah Adams,
- 6 Joanna Adams, Rachel Adams, Keegan Menken, Noah Menken,
- 7 Brennan Menken, and Jessica Daw; and his great-nieces and
- 8 nephews, Evelyn Ahlers, Zac Ahlers, and Bryligh Nance;
- 9 therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 12 Ronald Gene "Ron" Stradt and extend our sincere condolences to
- his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Ron Stradt as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.