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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 Howard John Hammer of Altamont, who passed away on April 7, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Hammer was born in Altamont to Arnold and Olive (Ziegler) Hammer on December 19, 1931; he married Carolyn Budde at St. John's Lutheran Church in Louisville on June 2, 1957; he served in the U.S. National Guard; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Hammer worked for the Altamont Wholesale Company for many years; he also served as a road commissioner for Summit Township and was a lifelong farmer; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Hammer was a member of St. Paul Blue Point Lutheran Church and American Legion Post #120 Effingham; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Hammer was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Arlon "Ace" and Norman Hammer; and his sister, Audrey Neu; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Hammer is survived by his wife of 66 years, Carolyn; his sons, Darwin, Chris (Cheri), Mike (Brenda), Kelly, and Kirk (Sondra) Hammer; his sisters, Irma and Verda Mellendorf; his grandchildren, Gretchen (Cody)

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1 Hammer, Chrisha (Derrick) Alwardt, Jacob and Jared Hammer,  
2 Kaile (Ethan) Wolff, Devin (Clare) Hammer, Darcie (Brennan)  
3 Buening, and Mackenzie (Dunavun) Goeckner; his  
4 great-grandchildren, Adison and Conner Alwardt, Paisley and  
5 Talon Ranes, and Grayson and Kynlie Buening; and one  
6 great-grandchild, Baby Wolff on the way next month; therefore,  
7 be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
10 Howard John Hammer and extend our sincere condolences to his  
11 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Howard Hammer as an expression of  
15 our deepest sympathy.