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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 Maurice E. "Jack" Flaherty of rural Alexis, who passed away at June 3, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Flaherty was born to Arthur Joseph and Nora Marie (Bride) Flaherty in Galesburg, Florida on June 21, 1924; he was raised and educated in rural Alexis, Illinois; he graduated from Alexis High School in 1942; he served in the U.S. Army during World War II; he married Helen A. Pease in Carthage on December 1, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Flaherty farmed his entire life on the family farm just south of Alexis, retiring in the mid-1970s; he also worked as an overhead crane operator at the Rock Island Arsenal and as a foreman for the Illinois Department of Transportation Alexis Crew; he later served as road commissioner of the Kelly Township for seven years; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Flaherty was a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Alexis, the Galesburg Elks Club, the Monmouth American Legion, the Monmouth VFW, and the Warren County Democrats, where he served as chairman for several years; and

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1 WHEREAS, Jack Flaherty was preceded in death by his wife,
2 Helen; his parents; his brother, Daniel Flaherty; his
3 daughter, Beverly Peterson; his son, Scott Saunders; and his
4 grandchildren, Jerry Peterson, Gary Saunders, William
5 Flaherty, Erica Flaherty, and Ryan Bird; and

6 WHEREAS, Jack Flaherty is survived by his sons, Daniel
7 (Melinda) Flaherty and Pat (Cindy) Flaherty; his
8 grandchildren, Ricky Peterson, Joyce (Scott McCurikan)
9 Peterson, Debbie Peterson, Chris (Tami) Saunders, Mike
10 (Teresa) Saunders, Jeremy (Jennifer) Flaherty, Jacque
11 (Matthews) Schweighart, and Trevor Bird; and numerous
12 great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; therefore,
13 be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 Maurice E. "Jack" Flaherty and extend our sincere condolences
17 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Jack Flaherty as an expression of
21 our deepest sympathy.