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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 Kenneth E. "Kenny" Batson, formerly of Little Swan Lake, who passed away on January 21, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson was born in rural Laura to Charles and Dora E. (McCullough) Batson on July 28, 1939; he graduated from Abingdon High School in 1957; he served in the United States Navy for five years with the Pacific fleet during the Vietnam War; he married Louise P. Sabetti at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Abingdon on June 27, 1964; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson was the owner/operator of Batson's Ace Hardware in Bushnell for 50 years; he retired in 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson was a member of the Abingdon American Legion and the Bushnell VFW; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson was of the Catholic faith; he enjoyed spending time with his family; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, Harry, Art, Ronnie, and Robert; and

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WHEREAS, Kenny Batson is survived by his wife of nearly 60

1 years, Louise; his son, David (Stacy) Batson; his
2 grandchildren, Hope, Alex, and Abby; his great-grandson,
3 Henry; his brother, Chuck (Linda) Batson; his sisters, Betty
4 Gordon, Shirley Blodgett, Emma Lou Lambert, and Mary Jo Russo;
5 and many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Kenneth E. "Kenny" Batson and extend our sincere condolences
9 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
10 it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Kenny Batson as an expression of our
13 deepest sympathy.