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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Private First Class Brandon Ramsey of the 933 Military Police Company, United States Army National Guard who was killed on August 8, 2003 in Iraq serving Operation Enduring Freedom; and

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WHEREAS, Private Ramsey was born January 14, 1982 in Chicago to Deborah Ramsey; he began his formal education at Altgeld Grammar School; his family moved to Riverdale where he continued school, graduating from General George Patton Grammar School; he entered Thornton Fractional High School and pursued his love of art and music; in June 2000, he graduated from T.F. North High School; he then began working for Dick James Ford where he was well-liked by the staff; and

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WHEREAS, Private Ramsey wanted to further his education and joined the National Guard Army Reserve; he was serving as a Military Police Specialist; and

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WHEREAS, Private Ramsey loved being with his family and friends and he lived life to the fullest; his passing will be deeply felt by many, especially his mother, Deborah Ramsey Fleming; his devoted brother, Vaughn; his sister, Angela; his grandmother, Ceola Young (Curtis); and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and many more family and special friends; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Lloyd Ramsey, Sr.; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Private First Class Brandon Ramsey along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his

1 family and friends; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, Private Ramsey was posthumously awarded the
3 Purple Heart for his heroic action on the battlefield; his
4 dedication of service to this country led to the ultimate
5 sacrifice; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Private First Class Brandon
8 Ramsey.