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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 Lieutenant Randall R. Kramp of Aurora and a proud member of the Aurora Fire Department, who recently passed away; and

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WHEREAS, Randall graduated from East Aurora High School in 1985 and from Lewis University in 1990; although he enjoyed his employment at the Aurora Airport in aviation maintenance, his proudest accomplishment was joining the Aurora Fire Department in 1994; he was the sixth man in three generations of his family to serve; he was also a paramedic and a member of the Scuba Rescue Team; and

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WHEREAS, Boy Scouts always played an important role in his life, giving him his love and respect for the outdoors and camping; he was an Eagle Scout and had recently received a District Merit Award; he was active in Scouts his entire life; and

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WHEREAS, Randy's childhood dream of owning cool lawnmowers (some dreams are smaller than others) came true when he started a part-time lawn mowing service; another dream of his was to fly and he made that come true when he earned his private pilot's license; and

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1 WHEREAS, He married Ruth Stammer, on April 6, 2002; they
2 made their home in Aurora but their favorite place to spend
3 time together was at their 'piece of heaven' in Wisconsin;
4 although life did not allow them time to build a cabin, the
5 plans they made around the campfire or floating on their boat
6 are happy memories for Ruth; he was an active member of St.
7 Rita of Cascia Church, the Phoenix Club, and the Aurora
8 Firefighters Local 99; and

9 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his father, Ralph
10 Kramp; and his nephew, Christopher Hankes; and

11 WHEREAS, He leaves to mourn him, yet cherish his memory,
12 his loving wife and best friend, Ruth; his mother, Alice Kramp;
13 his sisters, Tari (Scott) Hankes, Barb (Stan) Myers, and Linda
14 (Chuck) Leese; his in-laws, Francis and Rose Marie Stammer;
15 Ruth's siblings, Mary "Francie" (Ron) Smart, Janni (Mike Young)
16 Stammer, Don (Debra) Stammer, Julie (Richard) Smith, Lori
17 (Dennis) Hahn, and Patrick (Yasmine) Stammer; his beloved
18 nieces and nephews, Kayte Hankes, Kelly Michael, and Noah
19 Myers, Morgan Leese, April, Tony, and Patrick Stammer, John
20 Smart, Samantha Young, and Joseph, Ellie, and David Hahn; and
21 his closest friends, Chris (who he met in grade school) and
22 Karen Mang, Brad and Janice Westrom, and Chris and Lisa Oros;
23 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
3 his family, friends, and colleagues, the passing of Randall
4 Kramp; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Randall Kramp as a symbol of our
7 sincere sympathy.