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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 Fred Walker Robbins of Edwardsville, who passed away on July 1, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born March 11, 1943 in Martinsville, Virginia, the son of Fred Michael and Mary Walker (Ford) Robbins; on June 5, 1965, he married Stephanie Laird (Malinoff) Robbins; and

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WHEREAS, He was a professor of English at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville from 1970 to 2001; while on the faculty, he served as editor of the SIUE literary magazine Sou'wester; he earned his Ph.D in English from the University of Texas at Austin in 1970 and his Bachelor of arts degree from Wofford College in Spartanburg, South Carolina in 1965; and

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WHEREAS, He was an avid upland game hunter and trout fisherman, and spent much of his free time hunting game birds in Illinois' State parks, with frequent expeditions to Michigan, Mississippi, and elsewhere; he took pride in the 5 Brittanies he raised for bird hunting, especially his first dog, Belle, and his last dog, Vicky; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; and by

1 his brother, Peter Ford Robbins; and

2 WHEREAS, Fred Robbins is survived by his wife, Stephanie;  
3 his children, Jefferson Robbins and Miranda Robbins; his  
4 brother, Cecil Hunt Robbins; and 4 grandchildren; therefore, be  
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6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
8 his family and friends, the passing of Fred Robbins; and be it  
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10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Fred Robbins as a symbol of our  
12 sincere sympathy.