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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Michael A. Downen of East Moline, who 4 passed away on January 10, 2016; and 5 WHEREAS, Michael Downen was born on February 4, 1938 in 6 Moline to Nelson and Rita England Downen; he married Mary 7 Skalla on April 23, 1966 in Davenport; and 8 WHEREAS, Michael Downen served in the United States Army; 9 and WHEREAS, Michael Downen earned his bachelor's degree from 10 11 Western Illinois University; and 12 WHEREAS, Michael Downen worked as a systems analyst in the Quad Cities area and also taught at Scott Community College; 13 14 after retiring, he worked part time for H&R Block; and 15 WHEREAS, Michael Downen was an avid bowler; he was also a 16 diehard Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears fan; and 17 WHEREAS, Michael Downen was preceded in death by his 18 parents; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Michael Downen is survived by his wife of 49
- years, Mary Downen; his children, Scott Downen, Matthew Downen,
- 3 Susannah (Ron) Borowczyk, Kathleen (Duane) Fleming, and Terry
- 4 Skalla; his grandchildren, Shannon (Devin) Abel, Kimberly
- 5 Borowczyk, Ethan Skalla, Hailey Borowczyk, Madeline Borowczyk,
- 6 and Samuel Fleming; and his cousin, Nancy (Owen) Stipp;
- 7 therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
- 10 family and friends, mourn the passing of Michael A. Downen; and
- 11 be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Michael Downen as an expression of
- our sympathy.