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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Darrell C. Free of Port Byron, who passed 4 away on June 9, 2016; and

5 WHEREAS, Darrell Free was born in Moline to Glenn and
6 Lillah Mae (Knapp) Free on September 13, 1946; he graduated
7 from Moline High School in 1964; he joined the United States
8 Army in 1968 and served as an Intelligence Specialist until his
9 discharge in 1970; he returned home and attended Black Hawk
10 College; he married Donna DeDecker in Moline on February 11,
11 1979; and

- 12 WHEREAS, Darrell Free had a long career as a machinist, and 13 later a Project Manager, at Rock Island Arsenal; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Darrell Free enjoyed camping all over the country;
  15 he loved playing and watching basketball, building things with
  16 his grandchildren, and working with computers; he took great
  17 pleasure in his walks by the river, his church, and spending
  18 time with family and friends; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Darrell Free was preceded in death by his parents 20 and his brothers, Richard and Roger Free; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Darrell Free is survived by his wife, Donna; his
- 2 daughters, Holly (Stephen) Sallows and Vanessa (Andrew)
- 3 Jewell; his grandchildren, Gabriel, Elly, Lucy, and Owen
- 4 Sallows, and Colin Jewell; and his brother, Carl (Gemma) Free;
- 5 therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Darrell C. Free, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Darrell Free as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.