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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Donald L. Skinner of Pawnee, who passed 4 away on September 15, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Donald Skinner was born in Jersey County to 6 Leonard and Ruby (Isringhausen) Skinner on May 19, 1937; he 7 married Lynda Skinner in 1961; they later divorced; and

WHEREAS, Donald Skinner was a great supporter of the Illinois and National AgrAbility programs; his testimony before congress and his support of developing an AgrAbility program in Illinois in the late 1980s helped form the program; he served as chair of the Illinois AgrAbility Advisory Committee for many years and, most recently, as honorary chair; he also served on the National AgrAbility Advisory Committee for several years; through his foresight, advice, and support, thousands of farm people benefited from assistance through the program; he leaves a legacy of support in seeking ways to help farmers and farm workers with disabilities continue to provide for their families and be as productive as possible; and

20 WHEREAS, Donald Skinner liked to laugh and loved a good 21 practical joke; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Donald Skinner was preceded in death by his
- father; his brother, William; his sister, Ruth Ann Armsby; and
- 3 his granddaughter, Jana Skinner; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Donald Skinner is survived by his children,
- 5 Kimberly (Rod) Bourne and David (Sonja) Skinner; his
- 6 grandchildren, Illinois State Representative Avery Bourne,
- 7 Mason Bourne, and Reese Bourne, and Justin Skinner, Logan
- 8 Skinner, and Mia Skinner; his mother, Ruby Skinner; his
- 9 brother, Ron (Elke) Skinner; and several nieces, nephews, and
- 10 cousins; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- Donald L. Skinner, and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 14 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 15 further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Donald Skinner as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.