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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 J. Wesley "Wes" Ooms of Bloomington, who passed away on July 2, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Wes Ooms was born in Chicago to Simon and Lena Kros Ooms on November 1, 1929; he earned a Bachelor of Science in Fire Protection-Safety Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology in 1951; he married Audrey Rodgers on September 11, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, Wes Ooms retired as the assistant vice president of State Farm Fire & Casualty Co. in 1994; he was the Chartered Professional Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) Society national president from 1993 until 1994; he was chairman of the Emergency Management Institute, FEMA, in 1990; he had been a trustee of the CPCU-Harry J. Loman Foundation since 1987; and

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WHEREAS, Wes Ooms was the president of Home Sweet Home Mission in Bloomington; he was the music director and a member of East White Oak Bible Church; he was also a member of The Gideons International for many years and attended Bible Study Fellowship; he will be remembered for his strong faith, kind demeanor, contagious laugh, and huge smile; and

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1 WHEREAS, Wes Ooms was preceded in death by his wife,
2 Audrey, and his son, Gordon; and

3 WHEREAS, Wes Ooms is survived by his children, Wesley
4 (Norma) Ooms, April Ooms (David) Kinzinger, Roger (Kim) Ooms,
5 and Bradley (Tricia) Ooms; his 12 grandchildren; and his 17
6 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 J. Wesley "Wes" Ooms and extend our sincere condolences to his
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Wes Ooms as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.