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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 John D. Barnard of Lincoln, who passed away on September 2, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, John Barnard was born to J.B. and Alice Wright Barnard in Normal on October 28, 1948; he graduated from Lexington High School and then Illinois State University; he served his country in the National Guard; he married Janet Bressner in 1970; he later married Muriel Dahmm on April 1, 1995; after her death in 2012, he married Zelma Martin in Atlanta, Illinois on November 17, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, John Barnard was a seeds man for Jacques Seed Corn Company and a bookkeeper for Alexander Lumber; in retirement, he worked several years at the Lincoln Park District Rec Center; and

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WHEREAS, John Barnard was a member of the Normal Masonic Lodge and of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church; and

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WHEREAS, John Barnard was a man of faith who enjoyed spending time with his family, reminiscing about old times, and following his nieces and nephews activities; he loved being a grandfather and was a wonderful role model; he will be

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1 remembered especially for his gentle manner and kind soul; and

2 WHEREAS, John Barnard was preceded in death by his parents
3 and his stepdaughter, Robin Martin Tackett; and

4 WHEREAS, John Barnard is survived by his wife, Zelma; his
5 sister, Betty (Paul) Duzan; his brother, Robert (Deborah)
6 Barnard; his stepdaughter, Jennifer (Doug Gellner); his
7 stepson, Daniel Martin; his three step-grandsons, T.J., Kyle,
8 and Hayden Gellner; his sister-in-laws, Laura Tomlinson,
9 Vivian (Geraldo) Valdes, and Georgia Allison; his five nieces
10 and eight nephews, Jason Duzan, Jill Johnson, Kristina Waugh,
11 Benjamin Barnard, Nathan Barnard, Matthew Barnard, Jason
12 Tomlinson, Will Tomlinson, Esther Farmer, Elise Valdes,
13 Alejandro Valdes, Fay Allison, and Lewis Allison; and his
14 several great-nieces and great-nephews; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
17 John D. Barnard and extend our sincere condolences to his
18 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of John Barnard as an expression of our
22 deepest sympathy.