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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of Robert "Bob" L. Pitford of Coal 4 Valley, who passed away on September 22, 2021; and 5 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford was born to Elmer and Elnora (Blum) 6 Pitford in South Gate, California on January 18, 1939; he 7 served in the U.S. Navy; he married Dona Miller in Kahoka, 8 Missouri on May 2, 1964, and she preceded him in death in 2006; 9 he married Linda Kinney Martin at the Nauvoo Temple in Nauvoo, 10 Illinois in 2008; and WHEREAS, Bob Pitford retired as an electrical engineer 11 12 from Williams White & Company in 2004; he also farmed with his 13 brother, Rex; and 14 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford was active with his church, The 15 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and served on missions in Cleveland, Ohio and Salt Lake City, Utah; and 16 17 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford was a foster father to 32 children and was active with the Boy Scouts of America; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford liked genealogy research and golf,

and in his earlier years, he enjoyed fishing and hunting; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford was preceded in death by his parents;
- 2 his first wife; and his grandson, Isaac Molapo; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Bob Pitford is survived by his wife, Linda; his daughters, Brenda Ingold, Wendy Pitford, Jennifer Pitford, 4 Christina Pitford, Alecia (Bob) Pitman, Marla (Steve) Hawkins, 5 Tiffany (Drew) Clarke, Deirdre Crouse, Heather (Dale) Weaver, 6 7 and Rachael (Tsooane) Molapo; his 30 grandchildren; his 13 8 great-grandchildren; his one great-grandchild; 9 brother, Rex (Judy) Pitford; his two nieces; his one nephew; 10 his two grandnieces; and his three grandnephews; therefore, be 11 it
- RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
 Robert "Bob" L. Pitford and extend our sincere condolences to
 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to the family of Bob Pitford as an expression of our 19 deepest sympathy.