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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 Paul Clifford Parker of Rock Island, who passed away on October 13, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Parker was born to Clifford and Johanna (Wiersma) Parker in Garden Plain on January 29, 1933; he was raised in Lyons, Iowa; after graduating high school, he served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War; he married Joyce Sipes, and together they raised three daughters; he earned his bachelor's degree from Carthage College; he later married Barbara Neumann; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Parker worked as a welder for various farming companies; after earning his degree, he worked at Riverdale High School, where he taught math and coached various sports, including football; he concluded his career as the girls track coach and had a conference track meet named in his honor; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Parker was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce; his daughter, Deb; his parents; and ten siblings; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Parker is survived by his wife, Barbara; his daughters, Pam and Becky; his brother, Walt; several

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1 grandchildren; and his extended family and friends; therefore,
2 be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
5 Paul Clifford Parker and extend our sincere condolences to his
6 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Paul Parker as an expression of our
10 deepest sympathy.