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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 Gregory Wayne "Greg" Small Sr. of Springfield, who passed away on October 31, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Greg Small was born to Shaughneysy Small Jr. and Ruth (Penny) Small in Battle Creek, Michigan on September 20, 1957; he graduated from Springfield Southeast High School; he attended Springfield Junior College and earned a bachelor's degree and his Hazmat certification from the University of Illinois; he married Kenna René Small on January 30, 1988; and

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WHEREAS, Greg Small worked as a long-distance Spanish bilingual operator with Illinois Bell Telephone, a station operator with Commonwealth Edison, an engineering assistant, a managing principal instructor, a control operator with Dominion Energy, Inc., and a control room operator with Dynegy, Inc.; he was the nuclear operations emergency response life safety and rescue principle licensed instructor for High Angle Rescue for Commonwealth Edison at the Kincaid Generation station in Chicago, where he handled 28 nuclear sources from 1980 to 1982; he was also a licensed EMT for 24 years from 1995 to 2019; he was a certified Nuclear Fire Brigade Task Force Team Member and received his OSHA certification and his High Angle Rescue certification;; and

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1 WHEREAS, Greg Small was a member of Cherry Hills Church
2 for 22 years, where he was served in various capacities,
3 including with the adult choir and as a youth pastor; and

4 WHEREAS, Greg Small loved golf and was a U.S. Open
5 Qualifier at the Illini Country Club in 1984; and

6 WHEREAS, Greg Small was preceded in death by his parents;
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8 WHEREAS, Greg Small is survived by his wife; his children,
9 Sunshine Clemons, Lauren (André) Messina, Gregory Wayne Small
10 Jr., Shawnaci (Brady) Schroeder, Kara Small, and Jared Small;
11 his brothers, Jonathon (Darcel) Small, David Small, Benjamin
12 (Laura) Small, Matthew (Jayme) Small, Josiah (Kim) Small, and
13 Shaughneysy Small III; his granddaughters, Aria Bender and
14 Lola Messina; and his nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends;
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Gregory Wayne "Greg" Small Sr. and extend our sincere
19 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
20 him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Greg Small as an expression of our
3 deepest sympathy.