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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Andrew M. "Andy" Batchelor of Alton, who passed away on November 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Batchelor was born in Alton on October 20, 1949 to Clarence D. and Dorothy (nee Mitchell) Batchelor; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Batchelor was the owner and operator of Andy's Auto Body for over 40 years, retiring in 2007; in retirement, he began raising chickens and gardening produce, popcorn, and Christmas trees; he donated much of what he produced to the local crisis center to benefit those in need; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Batchelor was a former member of Cherry Street Baptist Church in Alton, a board member of the Boy Scouts of America, a trustee for Foster Township, and a regular volunteer in his community; he was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinals fan and was proud of his rural farm roots; he enjoyed writing and was a regular contributor to the Alton Telegraph; he also enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Batchelor was preceded in death by his

1 parents; and

2 WHEREAS, Andrew Batchelor is survived by his wife of 44  
3 years, Nancy (Miller); his 2 children, Jennifer (Troy) DeFranco  
4 and Mark (Tara) Batchelor; his 4 grandchildren, Madisyn and  
5 Devin DeFranco and Paige and Maggie Batchelor; his sister,  
6 Bonita (Marvin) Mosby; his 2 brothers, Stephen (Barbara)  
7 Batchelor and David (Dianna) Batchelor; his sister-in-law,  
8 Carol (Victor) Palomino; his brother-in-law, Gary Miller; his  
9 nieces and nephews, Christy (Robertson) and Michal Mosby,  
10 Stacey (Ripp), Dana (Redman) and Matt Batchelor, Tara and Aaron  
11 Batchelor, and Catye and Jeff Palomino; and many great nieces  
12 and nephews and extended family members; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
15 Andrew M. "Andy" Batchelor, and extend our sincere condolences  
16 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
17 it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Andrew Batchelor as an expression of  
20 our deepest sympathy.