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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 Gilbert "Gil" Farnham of Huntley, who passed away on May 23, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham was born on May 22, 1933 in Freeport; his parents were Benjamin and Mattie Farnham; he married Patricia "Pat" Jensen in 1957; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham served in the United States Army in Germany during the Korean Conflict; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham graduated from Freeport High School in 1952; he later graduated from Illinois State Normal Teachers College in 1959; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham taught general science in Galesburg and biology at Sycamore High School; he later worked at Turner-Cleanweld Industries in Sycamore; he was one of the designers of the 1984 Olympic Torch and traveled at the beginning of the Olympic Torch Run to see the lighting of the cauldron; he retired in 1999 and moved to the new Sun City in Huntley in 2000; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham was a member of the Huntley

1 American Legion, the Sun City Lions, and St. Mary Church, where
2 he served as lector; he served on the board of the Sycamore
3 Credit Union and was a member of the DeKalb County Management
4 Club; and

5 WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham was preceded in death by his
6 parents and his sister, Shirley; and

7 WHEREAS, Gilbert Farnham is survived by his wife, Patricia;
8 his children, Tess Farnham, Michael (Kathie) Farnham, Julene
9 (Mike) Diaz, and Mark (Heather) Farnham; his grandchildren,
10 David, Kristen, Kimberly, Alex, Connor, Hannah, Sophie, and
11 Ben; his great-grandchildren, Alexa, McKenzie, Miles,
12 Sebastian, and Lucas; and his sister, Beverly Stichter;
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
16 family and friends, mourn the passing of Gilbert "Gil" Farnham;
17 and be it further

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