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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Thomas Owen "Tom" Kuhl of Springfield, who passed away on March 16, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl was born in Chicago to Mary (Owen) and Capt. Marion Kuhl on May 5, 1944; he attended St. Joseph Parochial School in Mattoon and graduated from Mattoon Senior High School in 1962; he attended the University of Illinois and graduated from Eastern Illinois University; he served his country in the U.S. Army from October 1968 to July 1970, which included a year in Vietnam; he married Diana Lou Glasscock in 1971; he married Jan (Hinton) Lane on May 19, 2000; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl worked for the Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company for a total of 26 years; he then worked for the State of Illinois for over 18 years; in addition, he was part-owner of Knowles Cafeteria and taught as adjunct faculty at Lakeland College in Mattoon; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl was committed to helping his fellow veterans, which was evident through his participation in the Lincoln Land Honor Flight program; and

1 WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl was an election judge for 28 years; he
2 was a member of St. Agnes Catholic Church, where he served as
3 an usher; he had a passion for the outdoors and was a Boy Scout
4 and president of the high school rifle team in his youth; he
5 was a member of Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree, beginning in
6 1973 and serving as their treasurer from 1974 to 1998, and a
7 member of Knights of Columbus 4th Degree, beginning in 1974
8 and serving as their comptroller from 1976 to 1998; he was also
9 a member of the Mattoon Rifle & Pistol Club and the Moose,
10 Eagles, and Abraham Lincoln gun clubs; and

11 WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl enjoyed riding and working on
12 motorcycles and Corvettes and tinkering with cars, computers,
13 and firearms; he found great joy in spending time with his
14 grandchildren and traveling with Jan; and

15 WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl was preceded in death by his first wife,
16 Diana; his parents; his stepdaughter, Kristen Lane-Brunson;
17 and his step-grandchildren, Jocelyn and Myles; and

18 WHEREAS, Tom Kuhl is survived by his wife of 25 years, Jan;
19 his children, Christina (Matt) Kuhl Wools and John Thomas
20 (Angie) Kuhl; his stepson, Robert Lane; his grandchildren,
21 Jacob and Jared Wools, and Elise, Ian, and Celine Kuhl; and
22 many close friends; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
2 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we mourn the passing of Thomas Owen "Tom" Kuhl and extend our
4 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
5 and loved him; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Tom Kuhl as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.