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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Roxie Lee "Rocky" Frederick Jr., who
4 passed away on March 31, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick, the son of Roxie Lee Frederick
6 Sr. and Virginia Irene (Lassiter) Frederick, was born on
7 December 28, 1955; he married Joyce Marie Tooley in St. Louis,
8 Missouri on January 8, 1973, and they were married for 52 years
9 at the time of his passing; he obtained a diploma in welding;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick worked as a laborer at Illinois
12 Coal Mines for five years; he then worked as a mail messenger
13 and logistics manager for the Illinois Department of Commerce
14 and Economic Opportunity for 20 years; for 17 years, he drove a
15 weekday commuter bus to Springfield for State employees and on
16 weekends for Cavallo Bus Lines; he was beloved by his
17 coworkers and the patrons of the bus line; and

18 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick was a skilled photographer and
19 earned a number of accolades, including from Lake Land
20 College; his striking photograph of the Comet Hale-Bopp was
21 featured on the front page of the Litchfield News-Herald, and
22 his image of the Illinois State Capitol was selected by

1 Governor George Ryan for official State use; he captured
2 moments at the opening of the new Busch Stadium and sold those
3 cherished memories to fans across Central Illinois; he also
4 photographed the pine tree landscape at the old Litchfield
5 Lake, and those photos are displayed at the Old Route 66
6 Litchfield Museum; his photography has also been displayed in
7 the hallways of Lincoln Land Community College's Litchfield
8 location; and

9 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick was a true explorer at heart and
10 enjoyed taking road trips with his wife across the country
11 from coast to coast; he was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinals fan
12 and passed his love of baseball onto his children, and he even
13 coached his son's junior high school team; and

14 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick was a devoted husband, father,
15 grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend;
16 his legacy is one of love, laughter, work ethic, and deep
17 devotion, and his spirit will live on through the countless
18 lives he touched; and

19 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick was preceded in death by his
20 parents; and

21 WHEREAS, Roxie Frederick is survived by his children,
22 Shelly (Brian Stewart) Grigoroff, Jeremy (Merisa) Frederick,

1 and Jessica (Ryan) Dougherty; ten grandchildren; one
2 great-granddaughter; his sisters, Mary Ann Snider and Robin
3 (Philip) Frederick; and his brothers, Dale Frederick and
4 Charles "Chuck" (Heather) Frederick; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 Roxie Lee "Rocky" Frederick Jr. and extend our sincere
8 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
9 him; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Roxie Frederick as an expression of
12 our deepest sympathy.