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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 Kurt "Ohlly" Oehlwein of Canton, who passed away on April 16, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein was born to Lon Oehlwein and Glenda (Sides) Aellig in Peoria on September 11, 1972; he was raised in Germantown Hills, and he graduated from Metamora Township High School in 1990; he served in the U.S. Air Force in the Middle East during Operation Desert Shield/Storm; and

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WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein worked many jobs throughout his life, including as a certified Harley Davidson technician; he also worked in construction and restaurant management, and he held various sales and service positions; and

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WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein was passionate about the outdoors, Harley Davidson motorcycles, and classic cars, including displaying his classic trucks at car shows; he was an excellent cook who loved to prepare old-fashioned, churn-style ice cream for friends and family on warm summer nights; he adopted several senior dogs and lovingly cared for them in their final years; and

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WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein's kindness and generosity were

1 evident to all who knew him, and he always put his family and
2 chosen family first; and

3 WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein was preceded in death by his
4 father; his paternal grandparents, Oscar and Gertrude
5 Oehlwein; and his maternal grandparents, Joseph and Evelyn
6 Sides; and

7 WHEREAS, Kurt Oehlwein is survived by his former wife,
8 Jaime Lynch; his mother; his stepfather, Fred Aellig; his
9 sisters, Loni, Sara, Jenny, and Andy; two nieces and one
10 nephew; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Kurt "Ohlly" Oehlwein and extend our sincere condolences to
14 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Kurt Oehlwein as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.