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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Kenneth Eugene "Kenny" McNeely, who  
4 passed away on April 25, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Kenny McNeely, the son of William H. McNeely and  
6 Helen L. (Dickason) McNeely, was born in Avon on September 2,  
7 1948; he graduated from Bushnell-Prairie City High School in  
8 1966; he began serving in the U.S. Army in 1968, where he was a  
9 member of Company C, 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry  
10 Division for 15 months during the Vietnam War; and

11 WHEREAS, Kenny McNeely worked as a farm equipment mechanic  
12 for John Deere and Case International; he also served as a  
13 mechanic for Butcher/Moon Farms for over 30 years; and

14 WHEREAS, Kenny McNeely spent countless hours buying,  
15 restoring, and selling Ford tractors with his father and  
16 brothers; and

17 WHEREAS, Kenny McNeely never knew a stranger, making  
18 friends wherever he went; his vibrant and unwavering spirit,  
19 his love for farming, and his kindness touched the lives of  
20 many; and

1       WHEREAS, Kenneth McNeely was preceded in death by his  
2       parents; his sister, Nancy Underwood; and his siblings-in-law,  
3       Gloria McNeely and Dale Head; and

4       WHEREAS, Kenny McNeely is survived by his children, Karen  
5       D. (Brian) McNeely Yocks and K. Brett McNeely; two  
6       grandchildren; and his siblings, Garry (Pat) McNeely, Russell  
7       McNeely, Mary Buffum, and Beverly Head; therefore, be it

8       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
9       ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
10      Kenneth Eugene "Kenny" McNeely and extend our sincere  
11      condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
12      him; and be it further

13      RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14      presented to the family of Kenny McNeely as an expression of  
15      our deepest sympathy.