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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 Eldon L. Quick of Rantoul, who passed away on April 26, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Eldon Quick was born on a farm in rural Jewell County, Kansas to Roy T. and Anna A. (Robinett) Quick on November 3, 1930, and his family lived on various tenant farms in Jewell County during the Great Depression; he graduated from Kiowa Kansas High School in 1949 and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1950 at the beginning of the Korean War; he was stationed at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, where he met his wife, Frances, and was honorably discharged in November 1954 with the rank of staff sergeant; and

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WHEREAS, Eldon Quick was appointed as a police officer with the Rantoul Police Department in September 1957; he rose through the ranks and became chief of police in 1966, a position in which he served for more than 17 years, retiring on September 1, 1983 as the longest-serving chief in the history of Rantoul; and

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WHEREAS, Eldon Quick was elected to the Rantoul Village Board in 1987; he was elected as the Champaign County Coroner in November 1988 and reelected in 1992 and 1996; he retired on

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1 December 31, 1998 after 10 years; and

2 WHEREAS, Eldon Quick built his own home in Rantoul in  
3 1965; he also helped his children with building and remodeling  
4 projects in their homes, which included helping his son,  
5 Richard, build a new home in Rantoul in 1983 and remodeling and  
6 building room additions to his other three children's homes in  
7 Illinois, Wisconsin, and Texas; and

8 WHEREAS, Eldon Quick's hobbies included carpentry,  
9 woodworking, and singing in his church choir and the Martin  
10 Luther men's chorus; and

11 WHEREAS, Eldon Quick was preceded in death by his wife,  
12 Frances; his daughter, Karen Haman; his parents; three  
13 brothers; two sisters; and a daughter-in-law, Irene  
14 (Funkhouser) Quick; and

15 WHEREAS, Eldon Quick is survived by his children, Richard  
16 (Carol), Kathy, and Patricia (Billy); his grandchildren,  
17 Marlana (Chad) Smith, Marshall Quick, Kristopher Haman,  
18 Kristina Haman, and Ryan (Allison) Waters; six  
19 great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren;  
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
2 Eldon L. Quick and extend our sincere condolences to his  
3 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the family of Eldon Quick as an expression of our  
7 deepest sympathy.