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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Gary Lee Lane of Spaulding, who passed away on May 6, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Gary Lane, the son of Allen Lane Sr. and Marjorie 6 "Marge" (Bunch) Lane, was born in Springfield on June 16, 7 1963; he graduated from Lanphier High School in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Gary Lane, following in the footsteps of his father and uncle, became a member of Iron Workers Union Local 46; at the time of his passing, he was working as transportation supervisor for Riverton Community Unit School District #14, where he was proud to be a Riverton Hawk; and

WHEREAS, Gary Lane was always eager to support the community that gave back to him, serving as a volunteer with the local Habitat for Humanity organization for many years; he also took his children on church mission trips to keep them humble; and

WHEREAS, Gary Lane was an avid fan of dirt racing, and he was always ready to go to the track with his daughters and friends to cheer on his favorite drivers; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Gary Lane, who was affectionately known as "Papa
- 2 G" to his bonus grandchildren, loved spending time with his
- 3 family and friends; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Gary Lane was preceded in death by his parents
- 5 and his brother, U.S. Army PFC Robert "Bob" Lane; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Gary Lane is survived by his ex-wife and the
- 7 mother of his children, Brenda (Dalton) Lane; his daughters,
- 8 Mary Lane and Brittany Lane; his bonus children through Joy
- 9 Painter, Katy (Josh) West and Ryan (Heather) Painter; five
- 10 bonus grandchildren; his siblings, Allen "AP" Lane Jr., Mary
- 11 Sexton, and Janet Hutchens-Gooden; and many nieces and
- 12 nephews; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
- 14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 15 Gary Lee Lane and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 16 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to the family of Gary Lane as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.