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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 David "Dave" Bryant, who passed away on November 13, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Dave Bryant was born to Edward and Mary Lou Bryant in Chicago on October 6, 1958; he attended Marquette Park School in Chicago until he and his family moved to California Gardens in Blue Island, where he attended St. Benedict's Catholic School; he graduated from Dwight D. Eisenhower High School in Blue Island in 1977, where he started the African Culture Awareness Club and performed as drum major in the school marching band; he later received his associate's degree from South Suburban College; he married Fran Jefferson on June 16, 1984; and

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WHEREAS, Dave Bryant's work experience in the Robbins community began with the Robbins Police Department; as a concerned local resident, he served as a trustee of the Village of Robbins, a commissioner of the Robbins Park District, president of the Block Club, and president of the William Leonard Public Library; he was especially dedicated to serving in his role as advisor to Village Mayor Darren Bryant; and

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1           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant held additional professional roles;  
2 he worked as a counselor for Bremen Youth Services and worked  
3 at Nicor Gas; while at the latter, he was involved with En  
4 Rapport African American Employee Resources; and

5           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant was a member of New Friendship M.B.  
6 Church, where he served as a Sunday School teacher in the Youth  
7 Department, director of the Junior Choir, and a mentor to many  
8 young men in the church and in the community; he further served  
9 as a choir member, church treasurer, deacon, and minister of  
10 the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and he established Boy Scout Troop  
11 #316; and

12           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant enjoyed playing racquetball and  
13 skating; he also loved fishing, taking many annual fishing  
14 trips to Canada with his friends from Nicor and many solo trips  
15 to local watering holes to enjoy the solitude; and

16           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant was a beloved husband, father,  
17 grandfather, brother, and friend who will be remembered for  
18 his love, companionship, and friendship; and

19           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant was preceded in death by his parents;  
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21           WHEREAS, Dave Bryant is survived by his wife, Fran; his

1 sons, David (Christine), Darren, and Derrick (Claudia); one  
2 grandson, with one granddaughter on the way; his sisters,  
3 Carolyn Starks and Minister Ami Bryant; his favorite cousin,  
4 Crystal Robinson; his nephews, nieces, great-nieces,  
5 great-nephews, great-great-nieces, and great-great-nephews;  
6 additional family and friends; and his New Friendship M.B.  
7 Church family; 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 David "Dave" Bryant and extend our sincere condolences to his  
11 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
12 further

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