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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 Jeffrey William "Jeff" Fred of Effingham, who passed away on November 11, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Jeff Fred, the son of Charles Eugene Fred and Betty Lou (Kempen) Fred, was born in Kankakee on September 16, 1960; he married Brenda Suzanne Foster on May 19, 1995; and

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WHEREAS, Jeff Fred held a lifelong passion for music, especially for playing the drums; he played in multiple bands over the years, including with local worship bands and as part of the worship team at Christ's Church in Effingham; in recent years, he also enjoyed refurbishing old drum sets; and

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WHEREAS, Jeff Fred loved working with his hands, including rebuilding vehicles, such as his yellow 1975 CJ5 Rubigade, model building, drawing, glass etching, and woodworking; in more recent years, he also enjoyed grilling and smoking meats, completing bucket list travel trips with his wife, and hosting and participating in couples' life groups; his greatest joy came from spending time with his grandchildren, who brought him endless pride and happiness; and

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WHEREAS, Jeff Fred was a hardworking, dedicated man known

1 for his humble and kind spirit; he will be remembered for his  
2 unwavering faith, his love of music, and his devotion to his  
3 family; and

4 WHEREAS, Jeff Fred was preceded in death by his parents  
5 and his brother, Mark Fred; and

6 WHEREAS, Jeff Fred is survived by his wife of 30 years,  
7 Brenda Fred; his daughters, Sara (Jessy Draves) Fred, Kaylee  
8 (Brandon) Loy, and Jennifer (Connor Greene) Fred; five  
9 grandchildren; his siblings, Kathy (John) Adams and Todd  
10 (Jane) Fred; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family  
11 members; therefore, be it

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

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of Jeff Fred as an expression of our  
19 deepest sympathy.