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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Raymond Alfred "Ray" Scheiter Jr. of  
4 Quincy, formerly of Golden, who passed away on March 16, 2026;  
5 and

6           WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter was born to Raymond "Red" Sr. and  
7 Laverta "Sis" Macomber Scheiter in Quincy on July 23, 1936; he  
8 graduated from Quincy High School in 1954, where he was a  
9 qualifying participant in state wrestling and was named most  
10 valuable wrestler his senior year; and

11           WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter worked at Indian Mounds Pool during  
12 high school and was awarded the certificate of merit for  
13 saving a man's life; although he excelled in wrestling,  
14 football was the sport that earned him a college scholarship  
15 to Culver-Stockton College in Canton, Missouri, where he  
16 lettered all four years as right tackle, both on offense and  
17 defense; he was the first of his family to attend college and  
18 graduated with a degree in education; and

19           WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter married Rose on December 17, 1960;  
20 and

21           WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter worked as a teacher, coach,

1 principal, and superintendent at Central School District in  
2 Camp Point; during his tenure as superintendent, he initiated  
3 football as a varsity sport, added kindergarten, and directed  
4 the construction of three new elementary buildings; he also  
5 spent time as the regional superintendent of education for  
6 Adams and Pike Counties; and

7 WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter received an award of recognition  
8 from the Illinois State Board of Education's Those Who Excel  
9 program; and

10 WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter and Rose enjoyed traveling and  
11 spending time with their grandchildren; they volunteered to  
12 travel to Ground Zero in New York in 2001 to work with the  
13 National Organization of Victims Assistance and assisted  
14 families of the victims of the 911 terrorist attacks; and

15 WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter was a member of Trinity Lutheran  
16 Church in Golden and later a member of Trinity United Church of  
17 Christ; and

18 WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter was preceded in death by his wife,  
19 Rose; his parents; his brother, Bobby Joe Scheiter; and his  
20 sister, Linda Miller; and

21 WHEREAS, Ray Scheiter is survived by his children, Robert

1 (Cindy) Scheiter, Angie (Mark) Bridges, and Renee (Curtis)  
2 Higgins; his grandchildren, Molly Bridges, Alec Bridges, Megan  
3 (Ethan) Linnemeyer, Rylan (Ashley) Scheiter, Grant (Breanna)  
4 Higgins, and Gavin Higgins; and his great-grandchildren,  
5 Isabella, Dax, Harper, Reis, Rowan, and Elliot; therefore, be  
6 it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9 Raymond Alfred "Ray" Scheiter Jr. and extend our sincere  
10 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
11 him; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Ray Scheiter as a symbol of our  
14 deepest sympathy.