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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Steven Almon "Steve" Cornett of
4 Danville, who passed away on May 27, 2026; and

5 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett, the son of Coy and Nancy Cornett,
6 was born in Danville on December 2, 1961; he graduated from
7 Danville High School in 1980 and earned his associate's degree
8 at Danville Area Community College; and

9 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett began his career working for the
10 fire department and later became an emergency medical
11 technician (EMT); he dedicated more than three decades to law
12 enforcement, serving as a police officer from 1984 until his
13 retirement in 2017; and

14 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett remained active in his retirement,
15 serving as a deputy coroner, a firearms instructor, and most
16 recently, a semitruck driver for Ribbe Trucking; and

17 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett enjoyed hunting, fishing, shooting
18 pool, and traveling; he loved gathering with family and
19 friends to share jokes and stories, and he was always there to
20 listen, help, or give advice; he cherished his family above
21 all, and one of his greatest joys was spending time with his

1 wife, children, grandchildren, and great-granddaughter; and

2 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett was a devoted husband, father,
3 grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend who
4 will be remembered for his booming laugh, his gift for
5 storytelling, and his generous heart; he lived a life marked
6 by integrity, hard work, generosity, loyalty, and an
7 unforgettable sense of humor; and

8 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett leaves behind a legacy measured not
9 by accomplishments alone but also by the countless lives he
10 touched, the laughter he shared, and the memories he created
11 with those fortunate enough to know him; and

12 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett was preceded in death by his
13 parents; his in-laws, Jerry and Joyce Elmore; his
14 brother-in-law, Denny Elmore; his sister-in-law, Debbie
15 Sheets; and his grandson, Wyatt Bailey; and

16 WHEREAS, Steve Cornett is survived by his wife of 38
17 years, Charlene; his children, Rick Wagner, Myretta
18 Fitzsimmons, Amanda (Rory) Overmyer, Jodi (Lawrence) Davis,
19 Stephanie (Brian) Bailey, and Tricia (Donnie) McKinney; 14
20 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; his siblings, Coy
21 Cornett Jr., Dave (Debbie) Cornett, Sherry (Bob) Singleton,
22 and Dave (Tammy) Elmore; and many nieces and nephews;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Steven Almon "Steve" Cornett and extend our sincere
5 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
6 him; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Steve Cornett as an expression of
9 our deepest sympathy.