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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of William
4 Thorp "Bill" Buxton of Plainview, Texas, who passed away on
5 January 17, 2018; and

6 WHEREAS, Bill Buxton was born in Jackson, Mississippi to
7 Richard W. and Joan Myers Buxton on February 25, 1957; in early
8 childhood, his family moved to Iowa City, Iowa, where they made
9 their longtime home; he proudly attended Longfellow
10 Elementary, Southeast Junior High, and graduated from City High
11 in 1975; he swam competitively throughout childhood and into
12 his college years; he graduated from Western Illinois
13 University, where he was a member of the Sigma Pi Fraternity;
14 he married Becky Garrett Russell on June 22, 1991; and

15 WHEREAS, Bill Buxton taught high school history and was a
16 coach for one year; he then began a career with Pioneer Hi-Bred
17 (DuPont) and was moved to the Plainview, Texas Production
18 Plant; he continued his work there for over 35 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Bill Buxton was a member of the Congregational
20 Church of Christ when he lived in Iowa, and when he moved to
21 Texas, was a member of the First Baptist Church in Plainview;
22 he was known as a husband, father, papa bull, mentor, coach,

1 and home barber; he loved his fishing crew of friends; he was
2 an avid fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Chicago Cubs; he lived
3 life with energy and love of family and had a handshake and
4 smile for all; and

5 WHEREAS, Bill Buxton was preceded in death by his father;
6 his grandparents, Richard and Bess Buxton and Harold (Hank) and
7 Gladys Myers; and

8 WHEREAS, Bill Buxton is survived by his wife, Becky; his
9 daughter, Amy (fiance Sammy Rivas); his son, Matthew; his
10 grandchildren, Ava, Hudson, and Kellen Campbell, their father,
11 Chad Campbell, along with Sophie, Seth, and Shelby Rivas; his
12 mother; his mother and father-in-law, Raby and Lanell Garrett;
13 his brothers and sisters-in-law, Jim and Becky Buxton, Tom and
14 Katie Buxton; his sister and brother-in-law, Susan and Brad
15 Linn; his nephews, Trevor, Derek, Grant, Zach, Pat, and Connor
16 Buxton; his nieces, Carrie and Elisabeth Linn; and his extended
17 family of aunts, uncles, and cousins; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
19 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
20 mourn the passing of William Thorp "Bill" Buxton and extend our
21 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
22 and loved him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Bill Buxton as an expression of our
3 deepest sympathy.