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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 Ronald "Ron" L. Selph of Granite City, who passed away on April 10, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Selph was born in Granite City to Roby and Lucille (Gordon) Selph on July 13, 1946; he graduated from Granite City High School in 1964 and from McKendree College in 1978; he joined the United States Coast Guard after high school and after serving his country he married Karen W. Whittaker; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Selph had a 20-year successful career as a police officer; he then served two years with the United States Marshal Service and taught criminal justice classes at Belleville Area College for 17 years; he was elected Mayor of Granite City In 1993; he considered his time as Mayor to be his greatest accomplishment and was honored to serve in that position for the next 12 years until his retirement; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Selph enjoyed serving his community in any capacity and said it was "the people" he enjoyed the most; he loved to fish, golf, and spend time with his family, it was his favorite pastime after retirement; and

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1           WHEREAS, Ronald Selph was preceded in death by his parents  
2           and his wife, Karen W. Whittaker; and

3           WHEREAS, Ronald Selph is survived by his children, Terri L.  
4           (Tito) Selph-Tamez, Ronald W. (Lea Anne) Selph; his five  
5           grandchildren, Karen Robbins, Austin Weaver, Tanner Selph,  
6           Shaelyn Selph, and Presley Selph; his great-grandchild, Rylee  
7           L. Hubbard; his eight siblings, Judie Cor, Kathy (Jim) Robins,  
8           Debbie (Ron) Reeves, Jackie Ortiz, Sally Strong, Danny (Laurie)  
9           Selph, John (Tammy) Selph, and Craig (Barbara) Selph; his  
10          twenty-three nieces and nephews, and many other extended family  
11          and friends; therefore, be it

12          RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
13          ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
14          Ronald "Ron" L. Selph, and extend our sincere condolences to  
15          his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
16          further

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