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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 Bernard Daniel "Bud" Godfrey Jr., who passed away on July 4, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Bernard Godfrey was a native of West Virginia; he was a state Golden Gloves boxing champion and graduated from McAlpin High School; he served his country as a member of the United States Army 82nd Airborne Division; and

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WHEREAS, Bernard Godfrey retired from JI Case-International Harvester after 27 years as a machinist and immediately returned to work as a driver for MetroLink, from which he retired after eight years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Bernard Godfrey relived his love for parachuting on Father's Day 2003 at the age of 67; and

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WHEREAS, Bernard Godfrey was preceded in death by his mother, Eva Ruth; his father, Bernard Daniel Godfrey; and his sister; and

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WHEREAS, Bernard Godfrey is survived by his wife of 42 years, Patricia Louise Godfrey; his children, Donna, Darrin, Susan, and Sharrie Godfrey and John Robertson; eight

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1 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three
2 great-great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
5 Bernard Daniel "Bud" Godfrey Jr., and extend our sincere
6 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
7 him; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Bernard Godfrey as an expression of
10 our deepest sympathy.