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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 James J. Aitken of Rock Island, who passed away on July 8, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, James Aitken was born in Rock Island to James C. and Ester M. Kratzer Aitken on March 11, 1929; he married Helen Mullens in Rock Island on February 4, 1967; and

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WHEREAS, James Aitken retired from the United States Army after 37 years; he served during World War II and the Korean War; his second profession was an electronics technician; and

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WHEREAS, James Aitken was a member of Edgewood Baptist Church in Rock Island and Moline American Legion Post 246; he enjoyed working on all things electronic and playing the piano, keyboard, and guitar; and

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WHEREAS, James Aitken was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Margarete Eckhardt and Agnes Brandle; and his daughter-in-law, Florenza McClay; and

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WHEREAS, James Aitken is survived by his wife, Helen Aitken; his children, James Aitken Jr., Russell (Evah) McClay, Sheri (Robert) Luckenbihl, Thomas (Mary) Aitken, Victoria

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1 Jeffers, Bruce McClay, and Susanne (Thomas) Parker; 11  
2 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and  
3 nephews; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
6 James J. Aitken, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
7 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to the family of James Aitken as an expression of our  
11 deepest sympathy.