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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 Dr. Thomas E. "Tom" Theobald OD of Jacksonville, Florida, formerly of Bloomington, who passed away on February 2, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Theobald was born in Springfield to Paul and Marguerite (Phillips) Theobald on October 15, 1940; he graduated from Tri-City High School; he then earned his Bachelor of Science from Culver-Stockton College, where he was also a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon; he earned his Doctor of Optometry degree from Southern College of Optometry, where he was a member of Omega Delta; he married Joyce McMaster in Memphis, Tennessee on July 6, 1963; she preceded him in death; he later married Lynn Morford in Buffalo Hart on March 22, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Theobald was a Captain in the Army Medical Service Corps and served as an optometry officer at Valley Forge General Hospital in Pennsylvania during the Vietnam era; he had an optometry practice in Normal and worked as an adjunct professor at Illinois State University; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Theobald was active in many civic organizations; he served as Chairman Emeritus of Citizens

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1 Savings Bank (now Busey Bank) and as Vice Chairman of the
2 Bloomington-Normal Sanitary District; he was a fellow of the
3 American Academy of Optometry and held several offices in local
4 and state optometric associations and the American Optometric
5 Association; as President of the Normal Chamber of Commerce, he
6 worked to create the McLean County Association of Commerce and
7 Industry; he was a former member of the Normal Rotary Club and
8 a former board member of the Bloomington Country Club; and

9 WHEREAS, Tom Theobald enjoyed creating computer
10 applications with his friend, Dr. Gerry McKean; he earned his
11 commercial pilot's license and enjoyed golfing, scuba diving,
12 traveling, watchmaking, and, most of all, his family; and

13 WHEREAS, Tom Theobald was preceded in death by his sister,
14 Linda (Paul) Smith; and

15 WHEREAS, Tom Theobald is survived by his wife, Lynn; his
16 daughters, Ann (Brent) Hollenbeck and Jane (Marc) Stein; his
17 brother, Dale (Linda) Theobald; his grandchildren, Kate
18 Hollenbeck, Olivia Hollenbeck, Ellee Stein, and Nathan Stein;
19 his sister-in-law, Jane (Clay) Wilson; his brother-in-law,
20 Scott (Susan) Morford; and several cousins, nieces, and
21 nephews; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 Dr. Thomas E. "Tom" Theobald OD and extend our sincere
3 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
4 him; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Tom Theobald as an expression of our
7 deepest sympathy.