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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of David L. Basala of Rock Island, who 4 passed away on October 20, 2019; and

WHEREAS, David Basala was born in Matherville to George Jr. and Luella Raisbeck Basala on September 23, 1929; he graduated from St. Bede Academy in Peru in 1946 and entered the United States Air Force on September 1, 1948; he was stationed in Alaska during the Korean War and was honorably discharged on July 23, 1952; he married Beverly Jean Hartman on September 13, 1952; and

WHEREAS, David Basala worked as a carpenter for Deane Frye, Inc. in Aledo for many years; he retired in 1991 and became a caregiver for Beverly; he also served on the Matherville City Council for two years and as Mayor for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, David Basala was a member of Matherville F.O.E. Aerie 2019 and enjoyed Wednesday night cards at the Eagles; he was a devoted Catholic and member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Matherville; he was known for having a "sweet tooth"; he loved attending church, playing cards, watching baseball and westerns, and spending time with his family; he was a die-hard Chicago Cubs fan; and

- 1 WHEREAS, David Basala was preceded in death by his wife of
- 2 58 years, Beverly; his parents; and his brothers, Robert,
- 3 Donald, Marlyn, and John; and
- 4 WHEREAS, David Basala is survived by his children, Nanette
- 5 (Richard) Seith, David (Linda) Basala II, and Elizabeth (Keith)
- 6 Gengler; his grandchildren, Eric Grawe, David Basala III,
- 7 Nicholas Basala, Stephanie Hampton, Amanda Miller, David
- 8 Smith, and Alexander Smith; eight great-grandchildren with one
- 9 more on the way; his siblings, Lois (Deane) Frye, Dennis
- 10 (Reeda) Basala, and James (Darlene) Basala; and his
- 11 sisters-in-law, Marianne Basala and JoAnne Barnes; therefore,
- 12 be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 15 David L. Basala and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 16 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to the family of David Basala as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.