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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 Billy Eugene East of Hindsboro, who passed away on May 17, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Billy East was born to Kenneth and Opal (Kincade) East on November 6, 1934; he married Shirley Jo Trimble at the Hindsboro United Methodist Church on June 22, 1955; with the exception of living in Atwood from 1958 to 1963, he lived in the Hindsboro area all of his life and attended the local schools and churches; and

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WHEREAS, Billy East retired from the former Quantum Chemical plant at Tuscola after 42 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Billy East began farming in 1963; his dream of having sons and living on a farm were fulfilled when he and Shirley moved to the family farm, continuing the legacy begun by Shirley's parents, Ernie and Ruby; during these years, Billy took pride in his family and enjoyed wildlife and caring for livestock; he respected the land in his care in preparation for the next generation; he retired from farming in 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Billy East was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, John East; and his great-grandsons, Carter

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1 Tomasello and Jacob East; and

2 WHEREAS, Billy East is survived by his wife of 64 years,
3 Shirley; his sons, Ricky Eugene (Sara) East, Roger Ernest
4 (Kathy) East, and Russell Joe (Kimberly) East; his
5 grandchildren, Jeremy (Deanna) East, J.W. East, Erica Jo (Ben)
6 Tomasello, Nicholas East (Brittany), Kenneth (Julia) East, and
7 Alex (Patricia) East; his great-grandchildren, Conner and
8 Jordan East, Kiersten East, Hemi Jo Tomasello, Callie Mae East,
9 and one great-grandchild on the way; his brother-in-law, Bob
10 (Pacie) Trimble and his family; and several loving nieces and
11 nephews; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Billy Eugene East and extend our sincere condolences to his
15 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 Billy East as an expression of our
19 deepest sympathy.