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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of R. David Richards, who passed away on 4 November 28, 2020; and

5 WHEREAS, David Richards was born to Guy B. and E. Virginia 6 (Scandrett) Richards in Alton on June 11, 1941; he graduated 7 from Roxana High School in 1959 and from Ranken Technical 8 College in 1962; he married Judith A. Gaul in Staunton on June 9 9, 1973; and

WHEREAS, David Richards served his community for 59 years at the Rosewood Heights Fire Department; throughout that time, he held many positions, including captain and assistant chief; he also served the Rosewood Heights Fire District as a trustee for many years; he could always be found at the back of the Engine House on Fish Fry Days, frying hundreds of pounds of fish; and

WHEREAS, David Richards enjoyed teaching his grandchildren how to play UNO, taking train trips with his train club, and ushering at his church; he will be missed by his family, fellow firefighters, and the local community; and

21 WHEREAS, David Richards is survived by his sons, Scott

- 1 (Angy) Richards and Andrew (Vanessa) Richards; his
- 2 grandchildren, Kiley, Reagan, and Adam Richards; his
- 3 step-grandchildren, Natalie, Brayden, and Camden Hogle and
- 4 Logan, Hannah, and Chloe Overton; and his dear family friends,
- 5 Bill and Mary Birdsell; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 R. David Richards and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of David Richards as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.