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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Richard E. "Rich" Paxton of East 4 Moline, who passed away on April 11, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, Rich Paxton was born in Fairfield, Iowa to James 6 O. and Dorothy L. Sloan Paxton on May 1, 1946; he served in the 7 U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and married Sherry Warren in 8 East Moline on October 30, 1970; and

9 WHEREAS, Rich Paxton retired from John Deere after 30 10 years as a press operator; he was the co-founder of Centennial 11 Rods and Street Machines and was a master at restoration and 12 custom work and could fabricate anything; and

13 WHEREAS, Rich Paxton was affectionately known as "RP"; he 14 enjoyed car shows and loved spending time with his family; and

15 WHEREAS, Rich Paxton was preceded in death by his parents 16 and his brother, Gary; and

WHEREAS, Rich Paxton is survived by his wife, Sherry; his son, Shawn (Corie) Paxton; his daughter, Becki (Wade) Pilon; his grandchildren, Darcie Pilon, Dawson Pilon, Kaylee Paxton, and Kelsey Paxton; and many special friends; therefore, be it SR0225 -2- LRB102 18075 MST 25113 r

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL 2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 3 Richard E. "Rich" Paxton and extend our sincere condolences to 4 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 7 presented to the family of Rich Paxton as an expression of our 8 deepest sympathy.