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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of James W. "Bill" Johnson of Silvis, who 4 passed away on March 20, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, Bill Johnson was born in Springfield to George 6 Andrew and Florence Lorriane Ulrey Johnson on October 28, 7 1938; he served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Roosevelt and 8 USS Independence during the Vietnam War and married Shirley 9 Ann Baird in Moline on November 18, 1962; and

10 WHEREAS, Bill Johnson retired from the Rock Island Arsenal 11 after 28 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Bill Johnson loved attending his children's and 13 grandchildren's sporting events; he also enjoyed bowling, 14 baseball and softball, playing pool, and fishing; he was a fan 15 of the Illini, the Chicago Bears, and the St. Louis Cardinals; 16 and

WHEREAS, Bill Johnson was preceded in death by his parents; his stepparents, Jean Lewis and Adrian Losey; his son, Wayne; his sister, Judith Marlene Carstens; and his stepsister, Patricia Ann Beal; and

-2-LRB102 18244 MST 25904 r 1 WHEREAS, Bill Johnson is survived by his wife, Shirley; his children, Sydney "Scott" (Diane) Johnson, Deborah (Jack) 2 Brooks, James W. "Bill" Johnson Jr., Georgette Andrea (Dave) 3 4 Wheeler, and Sherry Renee (Kartey) Ocansey; 10 grandchildren; 5 10 great-grandchildren; and his stepsisters, Judy (Charlie) Nance and Nancy Terrill; therefore, be it 6

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL 8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of James W. "Bill" Johnson and extend our sincere condolences to 9 10 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 13 presented to the family of Bill Johnson as an expression of our 14 deepest sympathy.

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