SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Warrant Officer Cecil E. Hutson, U.S. Army (Ret.) of Rock Island, who passed away on January 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Hutson was born to Joe and Litha (Robinson) Hutson in Kingsport, Tennessee on February 25, 1934; he married Susan G. Hassler in Brown Deer, Wisconsin on June 18, 1960, and she preceded him in death on December 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Hutson served in the U.S. Army for 45 years, beginning his military service as a medic in the Korean War; he was acknowledged as the foremost nuclear weapons expert the Army has ever known; upon his retirement in April 1996, he was recognized by General Dennis Reimer, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, as the last active duty soldier who served in the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Hutson was inducted into the Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame and was the recipient of numerous awards and commendations throughout his career, including the Distinguished Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Hutson was preceded in death by his wife,
his parents, and two sisters; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Hutson is survived by his four daughters and sons-in-law, Kathy (Dennis) Carr, Sharie (Sherman) Loney, Laura (Fred) Behan, and Margie Hutson; his grandchildren, Brandon, Andrew, Stacey, Sarah, Mollie, Susie, Ceci, and Bre; and his great-grandchildren, Natalie and Gavin; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Warrant Officer Cecil E. Hutson, U.S. Army (Ret.) and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Cecil Hutson as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

