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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 Ross Booker of St. Joseph, who passed away on March 6, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Booker was born on April 13, 2001; he graduated from Saint Joseph-Ogden High School, where he served on the officer team of the FFA and achieved the highest honor possible in the organization, earning his American FFA degree; as a senior, he decided to try out for the football team, having never played, and ended up starting most of the season as a defensive lineman; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Booker spent his life helping others; he served his community as a volunteer firefighter; he rescued stranded motorists as a tow-truck operator; he was also a gifted mechanic, and he had recently completed the diesel mechanic program at Parkland College and was excited to start his internship as a diesel mechanic; and

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WHEREAS, Ross Booker could often be found in his father's shop, crafting beautiful handmade wooden furniture; he was known for his '95 F150 red truck that he lovingly called "Oldfurd"; and

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1 WHEREAS, Ross Booker was committed to his faith; he will
2 be remembered for his huge heart and his smile that could light
3 up a room and made it impossible to be angry with him for long;
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5 WHEREAS, Ross Booker was the beloved son of Dave and
6 Marita; the younger brother of Anthony; and the cherished
7 friend of many; he was looking forward to being a
8 brother-in-law to Cassie; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Ross Booker and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
12 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Ross Booker as an expression of our
15 deepest sympathy.