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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 Melvin E. "Mel" Laverenz of Coal Valley, who passed away on March 28, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz was born in Davenport, Iowa to Lawrence and Ella (Diederichsen) Laverenz on March 16, 1944; he graduated from Davenport West High School and served with the U.S. Army in Europe for two years; he married Terrie Swanson in Orion on June 14, 1984; and

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WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz worked for the Crescent Electric Supply Co. until 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz was a member of the Elks Club in Davenport for over 40 years; he was also a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Orion; and

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WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz loved watching all sports and especially enjoyed a good game; he enjoyed golfing and bowling and was an avid fan of NASCAR for most of his life; his vacations were often spent traveling across the country, hiking and camping with family and friends; family was of the utmost importance to him, and his children and grandchildren provided him with a constant source of pride and joy; and

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1           WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz was preceded in death by his parents  
2 and his brothers, Don and Gene; and

3           WHEREAS, Mel Laverenz is survived by his wife, Terrie; his  
4 children, Shana (Kurt) Schindler, Katie (Mike) Crawford, and  
5 Bekka Laverenz; and his grandchildren, Courtney Schindler, Roy  
6 Schindler, Liam Crawford, and Emersyn Crawford; therefore, be  
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8           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
10 Melvin E. "Mel" Laverenz and extend our sincere condolences to  
11 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
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13           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Mel Laverenz as an expression of our  
15 deepest sympathy.