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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of Rodger Meeker of Manito, formerly of 4 Green Valley, who passed away on February 26, 2023; and 5 WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker was born to Robert G. and Bernadine 6 C. Weyhrich Meeker in Burlington, Iowa on December 8, 1949; he 7 served in the U.S. Army; he married Rayeann Poplette on 8 January 24, 1970; and 9 WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker worked at Evonik Industries in 10 Mapleton and farmed in Tazewell and Mason Counties; and WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker attended Christ Lutheran Church in 11 12 Delavan as a child; he was also a member of the Manito American 13 Legion; and WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker was an avid hunter and fisherman, 14 and he was also a full supporter of the military; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker will be remembered for his smile, 17 his great heart, and his willingness to help family and friends, if needed; and 18

WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker was preceded in death by his

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- 1 parents; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Rodger Meeker is survived by his children, David
- 3 L. Meeker, Denise (Jon) Baker, and Dustin (Angela) Meeker; his
- 4 grandchildren, Alyssa (Jessica) Choate, Blake (fiancée,
- 5 Brittany Bollman) Lelm, Jax Meeker, Jordyn Meeker, Morgan
- 6 Baker, and Ethan Baker; his brother, Robert (Diane) Meeker;
- 7 his sisters, Jayne (John) Simpson, Rusa Naylor, and Joy
- 8 {Ricky) Pfortmiller; his many nieces and nephews; and his
- 9 beloved dog, Dex; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 12 Rodger Meeker and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Rodger Meeker as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.