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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 Owen R. Lindsey of Centralia, formerly of Peoria, who passed away on February 23, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey was born to Terrence and Jane "BJ" (Dobbins) Lindsey in Normal on January 26, 1999; during his freshman year at Richwoods High School, he wrestled on the junior varsity team; he transferred to Kiefer School the following year, where he received the Cougar of the Month award and performed in the talent show; he graduated from Kiefer School and Canton High School in 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Through Kiefer School's transitional employment program, Owen Lindsey participated and excelled in his lunchroom jobs; he later attained a position as a dishwasher at the Suite Fire Bar and Grille at the Holiday Inn & Suites at Grand Prairie, where he worked for almost three years; and

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WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey was a Cub Scout in Pack 11 of West Peoria; he wrestled for the Peoria Razorbacks youth wrestling team, becoming a state qualifier at the Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation (IKWF) tournament in 2013 and 2014; he enjoyed participating in the monthly social gatherings of People with Unlimited Potential (PUP) and was a member of the

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1 Universalist Unitarian Church of Peoria; and

2 WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey had many leisure interests,
3 including Star Wars, cartoons, local TV news stations and
4 their personnel, comic book superheroes, history, classic
5 movies, farm stuff, cars, and sports; he enjoyed collecting
6 Hot Wheels and Matchbox cars, and he loved collecting baseball
7 hats; he was an avid fan of Bradley University sports teams and
8 the Peoria Rivermen; and

9 WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey embraced life with an open mind, a
10 loving heart, and a sense of wonder; he loved deeply and was
11 deeply loved; and

12 WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey was preceded in death by his
13 paternal grandfather, Junior Lindsey; his maternal
14 grandparents, Dale and Leslie Dobbins; his uncle, Steve
15 Stella; and his cats, Fenway, Starbuck, and Xev; and

16 WHEREAS, Owen Lindsey is survived by his parents; his
17 brother, Ross (fiancée, Emily Sjurseth) Lindsey; his paternal
18 grandmother, Jo Ann Lindsey; his maternal grandmother, Jane
19 Dobbins; his uncles, Dick (Norma) Lindsey, Joe (Claudia)
20 Lindsey, Steve (Kim) Dobbins, and Jim (Emily) Dobbins; his
21 aunt, Cathy (the late Steve) Stella; his several cousins; his
22 large extended family; and his cats, Kira, Lili, and Castiel;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Owen R. Lindsey and extend our sincere condolences to his
5 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Owen Lindsey as an expression of our
9 deepest sympathy.