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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Philip W. Weber of Dawson, who passed away on March 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Philip Weber was born in Marion, Virginia to Norman J. and Dixie Vandergriff Weber on May 12, 1944; he graduated from Collinsville High School in 1962 and from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale in 1966 with a Bachelor of Arts in Russian with honors; he earned his Juris Doctor cum laude from the St. Louis University School of Law in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Philip Weber practiced law in Madison County for several years, serving as assistant public defender and assistant states attorney; in 1977, he moved to Springfield, and after working one year in the criminal division of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, he began a long and storied career on the Senate Republican staff, where he retired as chief legal counsel and research director in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Philip Weber had a passion for history, particularly Russian history and the political history of the Civil War; he loved photography, canoeing, and the beauty of

1 nature and never failed to point out a hawk or vulture

- 2 traversing the skies; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Philip Weber was preceded in death by his
- 4 parents; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Philip Weber was the loving husband of wife,
- 6 Marcia; the devoted stepfather of Adam and Graham Nicholson;
- 7 the loving brother of Don W. (Catherine) Weber; and the
- 8 cherished friend and mentor of many; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 11 Philip W. Weber and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 12 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Philip Weber as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.