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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 Elon "Lon" Wilson Frampton Jr., who passed away on December 20, 2010 at the age of 86; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton was born to Elon Wilson Sr. and Anna (Callahan) Frampton in New York City, New York on July 27, 1924; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton married Priscilla Burhans in Alexandria, Virginia on August 16, 1958, and she passed away on June 30, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton began his science career at the Hospital of the Rockefeller Institute in New York City; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton served in the U.S. Army during World War II, through which he was accepted into the Army Specialized Training Program; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton later joined the 78th Division HQ Special Troops Medical Detachment and served as a medic in the European Theater; and

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WHEREAS, Lon Frampton's service included being present at

1 the Battle of the Bulge and the Battle of Remagen; and

2 WHEREAS, After the war's conclusion, Lon Frampton worked  
3 in the laboratory at University College Hospital in London,  
4 England; and

5 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton's educational journey led him to  
6 receive a Bachelor of Arts degree from Syracuse University, a  
7 Master of Science degree from Northwestern University, and a  
8 Ph.D. in bacteriology from the University of Illinois at  
9 Urbana-Champaign; and

10 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton served on the faculty at the  
11 University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston as  
12 a radiation biologist for ten years; and

13 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton later joined the faculty at Northern  
14 Illinois University in the Department of Biological Sciences;  
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16 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton established R&F Laboratories with  
17 Dr. Lawrence Restaino, a laboratory specializing in food  
18 safety research and testing; and

19 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton loved golfing and baseball and was a  
20 lifelong fan of the Major League Baseball team the Athletics,

1 from their original home in Philadelphia to their current home  
2 in Oakland; and

3 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton was a member of First United  
4 Methodist Church in DeKalb, the American Society for  
5 Microbiology, Sigma Xi, and the Radiation Research Society;  
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7 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton was preceded in death by his parents  
8 and his brother, Frank; and

9 WHEREAS, Lon Frampton is survived by his son, Richard, and  
10 his daughter, Gail; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13 Elon "Lon" Wilson Frampton Jr. and extend our sincere  
14 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
15 him; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Elon Frampton as an expression of  
18 our deepest sympathy.