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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 Merriam "Lee" Gustafson of Moline, who passed away on August 22, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Lee Gustafson was born to Clarence Bernhard and Mabel Ann (Hanson) Gustafson in Minneapolis, Minnesota on January 16, 1927; he graduated from Dawson High School and the University of Minnesota, receiving a degree in agricultural engineering; he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1945 to 1946; he married Inez Kathleen Reiff in Minneapolis on December 1, 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Lee Gustafson worked as an engineer at John Deere; and

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WHEREAS, Lee Gustafson was involved in Christian education, and he was an avid participant in the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship and a member of Toastmasters and the Christian Service Brigade; he enjoyed photography as a hobby, and he loved traveling and researching his Swedish genealogy; and

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WHEREAS, Lee Gustafson was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Sandra Ellen Gustafson; his brother,

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1 David; and his sister-in-law, Harriett; and

2 WHEREAS, Lee Gustafson is survived by his wife of 71
3 years, Inez; his children, Sheryl (Dorman) Martin Brampton,
4 Steven (Marites) Gustafson, Alan (Jana) Gustafson, Kathleen
5 Gauwitz, and Gregory (Sheila) Gustafson; eight grandchildren;
6 eight great-grandchildren; and his brother, Roger (Bonnie)
7 Gustafson; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
10 Merriam "Lee" Gustafson and extend our sincere condolences to
11 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Lee Gustafson as an expression of
15 our deepest sympathy.