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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 Gilbert Carl Nolde of Peoria, who passed away on August 19, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde was born in Saint Louis, Missouri on June 8, 1930; he attended Soldan High School in Saint Louis and graduated from the Missouri School of Journalism at the University of Missouri; he married Jocyle A. Wilson on February 28, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde began working in Washington, D.C. as a Russian translator for the United States government; he then accepted a position in Peoria with Caterpillar Tractor, where he worked for 37 years and had a fulfilling career in several departments, including the advertising department in Geneva, Switzerland, which was one of his favorites; while living in Europe, he enjoyed traveling, especially his trips to London for work and to see all things Shakespeare; and

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WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde became involved in church life and community service in Peoria; he served on numerous boards for organizations, including the American Cancer Society, the United Way, Look. It's My Book!, the Crittendon Center, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, and the Illinois Central

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1 College Foundation; he taught adult Bible study for over 50
2 years, including during his residence at Lutheran Hillside
3 Village; and

4 WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde was a lifelong learner and reader
5 and enjoyed attending continuing education classes at Illinois
6 Central College, Bradley University, the Osher Lifelong
7 Learning Institute, and Björklunden at Lawrence University; he
8 passed his passion for Russian literature and reading to his
9 entire family; and

10 WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde's favorite things included family,
11 family visits, and pets; he enjoyed winning at Bridge,
12 Pinochle, and various other card and board games; and

13 WHEREAS, Gilbert Nolde is survived by his wife of 70
14 years, Jocyle; his daughters, Kendra (Jeff Lindgren), Susan
15 (Jeffrey Goldberg), Judy (Ken Smith), and Mindy (John
16 Knudsen); his grandchildren, Eric Lindgren, Jenny Goldberg,
17 Matthew (Kookai) Goldberg, Sammi Goldberg (Anshum Garg), Jacob
18 Moore, Kaitlyn Moore, Sara Knudsen, Emily Smith (Ray
19 Gesiakowski), Ethan (Jessica) Smith, Allison Knudsen, Ben
20 Knudsen, and Emma Knudsen; his great-grandchildren, Austin
21 Goldberg, Jackson Goldberg, Adrian Smith, and Vivian Smith;
22 and a great-granddaughter due in November; therefore, be it

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

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Gilbert Nolde as an expression of
8 our deepest sympathy.