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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 Donald L. Smith of Rock Island, who passed away on September 29, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Smith was born to Archie and Mary (Cahill) Smith in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on June 20, 1926; he served in the U.S. Navy; he received an associate's degree from St. Ambrose University; he married Monica Skelley on March 17, 2000; and

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WHEREAS, In his early twenties, Donald Smith served as a smoke jumper for the U.S. Forestry Service; he worked as a general manager of Chrysler Motors for 40 years, retiring in 1990; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Smith was a member of St. Pius X Church in Rock Island, where he was a lector; he was also a member of the Knights of Columbus and Allouez Council in Rock Island; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Smith was an avid reader and volunteered as a reader for WVIK; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Smith was preceded in death by his wife; his daughters, Michelle Welling and Kimberly Fehr; his sons, Lance Smith and Mark Smith; his grandson, Lance Smith Jr.; and

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1 his siblings, Jerold Smith and Joanne Smith; and

2 WHEREAS, Donald Smith is survived by his children, Michael  
3 (Mary Jane) Mason and Rick (Sue) Mason; his daughter-in-law,  
4 Holly Smith; his son-in-law, John Welling; his grandchildren,  
5 Shawn Smith, Chase Smith, Dustin Smith, Cody Smith, Isaac  
6 Smith, Elizabeth Anderson, and Zachary Fehr; many  
7 great-grandchildren; and his sister-in-law, Judy Smith;  
8 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 Donald L. Smith 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  
15 presented to the family of Donald Smith as an expression of our  
16 deepest sympathy.