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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Fred R. "Rick" Wendl of Colona,  
4 formerly of Erie, who passed away on October 6, 2023; and

5           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl was born to Frederick and Rosemary  
6 (Collins) Wendl in Dubuque, Iowa on March 27, 1948; he  
7 graduated from Alleman High School; he enlisted in the U.S.  
8 Army and served two tours in Vietnam and one tour in Germany  
9 with the 178th Boxcar Assault Support Helicopter Company  
10 (ASHC); he married Judy Lannoo at St. John's Catholic Church  
11 in Rapids City on December 14, 1968, and they settled in Erie;  
12 and

13           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl worked at 3M in Cordova for over 35  
14 years; and

15           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl proudly served as one of the original  
16 EMTs when the Erie Ambulance was founded, retiring as an EMTI  
17 after 39 years; and

18           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl was a longtime member of St. Ambrose  
19 Catholic Church and the Denton-Schreiner American Legion Post,  
20 both in Erie; and

1           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl enjoyed flying and even had his own  
2 helicopter; he was a diehard Cubs fan and an avid fisherman and  
3 bird watcher; he loved playing cards and games with his  
4 family; he was a big supporter of his children's and  
5 grandchildren's school activities and sports; and

6           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl was preceded in death by his parents;  
7 his brother, Terrance "Terry" Wendl; and his parents-in-law,  
8 George and Mildred Lannoo; and

9           WHEREAS, Fred Wendl is survived by his wife, Judy; his  
10 children, Paul Wendl, Cheryl (Troy) Graham, Joyce (Serg)  
11 Contreras, and Tim Wendl; his sister, Helene (Timothy)  
12 Waynick; his sister-in-law, Heidi Wendl; his aunt, Dolores  
13 Schiffman; his grandchildren, Elizabeth Graham, Zach, Ricky,  
14 and Joey Massa, Allie, Teddy, and Max Contreras, and Parker  
15 and Remi Wendl; and several nieces and nephews; therefore, be  
16 it

17           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
19 Fred R. "Rick" Wendl and extend our sincere condolences to his  
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
21 further

22           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Fred Wendl as an expression of our  
2 deepest sympathy.