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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the sudden death of Robert H. "Bob" Jeffers of Hinsdale, who passed away on May 5, 2023 at the age of 74; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers was born to Robert H. Jeffers Sr. and Ruth Mary Mahan Jeffers in Leominster, Massachusetts on March 24, 1949; he was raised in Glen Ellyn, where he participated in Boy Scouts, tennis, stamp collecting, and a door-to-door egg sales route; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers graduated from Glenbard West High School in 1967; he earned a bachelor's degree in history from Marquette University in 1971, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Gamma Fraternity; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers began his career at Marshall Field's in the credit department before eventually landing a job at Illinois Bell, which later led to a career with many divisions at AT&T, where he worked for 37 years until retiring in 2015; and

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WHEREAS, While at AT&T, Robert Jeffers met and married Sara Byron, and they raised their two children, Patrick and Maddie Jeffers, in Hinsdale; and

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1           WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers was a proud and devoted father,  
2           volunteering at many of his children's activities throughout  
3           their lives; and

4           WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers was an active member of the  
5           Democratic Party of DuPage County for more than two decades,  
6           serving as precinct committeeman and treasurer in both Milton  
7           and Downers Grove Townships; he also served as treasurer of  
8           the Democratic Party of DuPage County for 24 years, stepping  
9           down in 2018; and

10           WHEREAS, For his commitment and service to the Democratic  
11           Party of DuPage County, Robert Jeffers was awarded the Tinker  
12           Harvey Pioneer Award in 2012; and

13           WHEREAS, Robert Jeffers was preceded in death by his  
14           parents; his brothers-in-law, Robert Benson and Glen  
15           Hessefort; and his sister-in-law, Mary Hessefort; and

16           WHEREAS, At the time of his passing, Robert Jeffers was  
17           survived by his wife of 34 years, Sara Byron Jeffers; his  
18           children, Patrick and Maddie Jeffers; his sister, Trisha  
19           (Peter) Pugal; his sisters-in-law, Peg Hershberger, Trudy  
20           (Ned) Byron Fahy, and Jeanne (John) Ferguson; his  
21           brother-in-law, Tom Byron; 10 nieces and nephews; and 13

1 great-nieces and great-nephews; therefore, be it

2       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
4 Robert H. "Bob" Jeffers and extend our sincere condolences to  
5 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
6 further

7       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Robert Jeffers as an expression of  
9 our deepest sympathy.