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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 David A. Holcomb of Milan, who passed away on November 16, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, David Holcomb was born to Harry and Esther (Formhals) Holcomb in Morris on January 8, 1936; he graduated from Morris High School in 1954; he earned his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Music Education from Illinois State University; he served in the U.S. Army, playing baritone horn in the 5th U.S. Army Band and in the U.S. Army Band in Germany for several years; he married Gail Emerson in Morton in 1969; and

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WHEREAS, David Holcomb taught music in the Rock Island Public Schools for 34 years; he also served as the band director of Ambrose Jazz for a time; and

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WHEREAS, David Holcomb was a well-known jazz pianist in the Quad Cities, playing in numerous venues throughout the area; he was known for his ability to entertain with both his music and his wit; and

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WHEREAS, David Holcomb was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Joel, Henrietta, Rachel, Ruth, and

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1 Carl; and

2 WHEREAS, David Holcomb is survived by his wife of 54  
3 years, Gail; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and  
4 great-nephews; and his poodles, Billie and Oscar; therefore,  
5 be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
8 David A. Holcomb and extend our sincere condolences to his  
9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to the family of David Holcomb as an expression of  
13 our deepest sympathy.