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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 Robert W. "Bob" Lopez of Geneseo, who passed away on December 10, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo was born to Aureliano and Antonia (Navarro) Lopez in Moline on October 30, 1939; he graduated from Rock Island Alleman High School in 1958, where he played football; he played baseball for the semi-pro team Blue Socks in the 1950s; he earned his plumbing and pipefitter degree from Black Hawk College; he married Alice Calsyn at St. Malachy Catholic Church in Geneseo on April 29, 1961; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo began working for John Deere in 1957, retiring in 1994 after 37 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo was a member of Hayden's Hikers and St. Malachy Catholic Church; he volunteered through Kiwanis and at Hammond Henry Hospital, Christian Care, and the Freedom House, which helps women affected by domestic abuse; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo loved traveling, visiting all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, and 36 other foreign countries, with his favorite travel destinations including Estes Park in Colorado, the Inside Passage of Alaska, the fjords of Norway,

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1 and Hawaii; he enjoyed walking, hiking, sitting on his John
2 Deere riding mower, working on his yard, and tending to
3 flowers; he was an avid football fan who supported the Chicago
4 Bears, the Iowa Hawkeyes, and the Geneseo Green Machine; and

5 WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo was preceded in death by his parents;
6 his wife; his sister, Rose Lopez; and his brothers, Vincent
7 Lopez and Andrew Lopez; and

8 WHEREAS, Bob Geneseo is survived by his children, Pam
9 (Ryan) Tone and Robert "Moe" Lopez Jr.; his brothers, Arthur
10 Lopez and Michael (Gail) Lopez; his grandchildren, Tim
11 Rockstroh, Melissa (Chris) Henderson, Kristina (Chris)
12 Lopez-Kukula, Madeline (Zach) Krueger, Elizabeth Lopez, and
13 Benjamin Lopez; his great-grandchildren, Aaliyah Ball,
14 Kiersten Henderson, Kiera Henderson, and Urijah
15 Tone-Henderson; and his special friend, Margie Martin;
16 therefore, be 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 Robert W. "Bob" Lopez and extend our sincere condolences to
20 his 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 Bob Lopez as an expression of our
2 deepest sympathy.