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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 Cary Douglas Franks of Sherman, who passed away on December 26, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Cary Franks was born to Charles Gibson Franks and Sara Jane (Irwin) Franks in Chicago on July 10, 1944; he was raised in Wheaton; he graduated from Bloomington High School, where he lettered in wrestling and won his district wrestling match, and Illinois State University in Normal; he received his master's degree in management information systems from the University of Illinois Springfield; he married Joy Raney in Bloomington on February 3, 1968; he served in the U.S. Naval Reserves on a destroyer while on active duty for two years during the Vietnam War; and

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WHEREAS, While attending college, Cary Franks taught swimming, lifesaving, and diving at the Four Seasons Club in Bloomington; he taught sailing at Evergreen Lake in McLean County; while serving as director of the McLean County Red Cross, he represented the Red Cross as a member of the Bloomington Rotary Club; and

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WHEREAS, Cary Franks and his family moved to Sherman in 1977, and he began working as an auditor for the State of

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1 Illinois; upon retiring from the State, he contracted as an
2 internal auditor with the Peoria County Auditor, serving in
3 that position for a few years until he retired from the county;
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5 WHEREAS, Cary Franks held chapter offices with the
6 Springfield Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors; and

7 WHEREAS, Cary Franks and his wife assisted in establishing
8 the Sherman - Williamsville Kiwanis Club in 1991, and they
9 remained members until their respective retirements; and

10 WHEREAS, Cary Franks was a drummer throughout his life;
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12 WHEREAS, Cary Franks was preceded in death by his parents,
13 his grandparents, and his brothers, Clifford and Charles
14 Franks; and

15 WHEREAS, Cary Franks is survived by his wife, Joy Franks;
16 his children, Catherine (partner, Chad Tengler) Franks, Chad
17 Franks, and Collin (Valarie) Franks; his grandchildren, Carson
18 Franks, Chloe Franks, Cole Franks, Caleb Franks, Branden
19 Kennedy, Travis Kennedy, Eric Kennedy, and Joshua Kennedy;
20 three great-grandchildren; and five nieces; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Cary Douglas Franks and extend our sincere condolences to his
4 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Cary Franks as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.