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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 Martin "Marty" Gray of Milan, who passed away on October 13, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Marty Gray, the son of Henry "Hank" and Elois "Lois" Cleveland Gray, was born in Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts on February 4, 1959; he graduated from Aledo High School; he married Lisa Widdop at Beulah Church on September 8, 1979; and

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WHEREAS, Marty Gray was the owner of Gray Machine and Welding in Rock Island; he also served on the Reynolds Fire Department for 33 years, where he held the position of fire chief for the last 10 years; and

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WHEREAS, Marty Gray served as an elder at Hamlet Church and as a volunteer and president with the Rockridge Boosters Club; he also coached youth baseball and basketball for several years; and

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WHEREAS, Marty Gray loved hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family, especially his grandsons; and

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WHEREAS, Marty Gray was preceded in death by his mother and his father-in-law, James Widdop; and

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1 WHEREAS, Marty Gray is survived by his wife; his father;
2 his children, Jeremy (Jackie Norman) Gray and Krista (Billy)
3 Mohl; six grandchildren; his sister, Patti (Bob) Long; his
4 mother-in-law, Linda Widdop; his adopted uncle and aunt, Ron
5 and Jean Brown; his adopted brother, Brian Brown; and his
6 childhood friend, Doug McCleary; therefore, be it

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

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Marty Gray as an expression of our
14 deepest sympathy.