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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Drew Schmidt of Godfrey on August 9, 2005; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Schmidt was born June 13, 1985, in Alton, to Tom and Sue (Chiolero) Schmidt of Godfrey; he loved all sports and played football, basketball, and baseball at Marquette Catholic High School, where he graduated in 2004; he especially loved basketball and was the point guard on Marquette's record back-to-back 26-win seasons; he also played Legion baseball and was a member of the Alton Junior Legion team that won Nationals; and

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WHEREAS, He had a passion for his country and pursued a career in criminal justice at Culver Stockton, where he was on the dean's list; he hoped to someday be in the FBI; he also loved fishing, all kinds of music - especially country, the Cardinals, and the Rams; and

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WHEREAS, Most of all, he loved being with his friends, of whom he had many; he was blessed by having a close-knit group of special friends; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents, Benjamin and Emma Stearns and Thomas and Marcella Chiolero; and his paternal great-grandparents, Leo and Florence Schmidt and Arthur and Elizabeth Brooks; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Drew Schmidt is felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his parents; his sister, Emily Schmidt; his brother, Adam Schmidt; his maternal grandparents, David and Martha Chiolero; his paternal grandparents, Jerry and Bonnie Schmidt; his maternal aunts and uncles, Kathy and Gary Abner, Leanne and Gene Ridolfi, Lisa and Bruce Deall, and

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1 Robert Chiolero; his paternal aunts and uncles, Jim and Pam
2 Schmidt, LeAnn and Ric Johns, and Rob and Janie Schmidt; his
3 special cousins, Sarah, Rachel, and David Abner, Gena, Laura,
4 and Katherine Ridolfi, Matt, Megan, and Meredith Deall, Allison
5 and Matt Schmidt, Frank, Mary, Andrea, and Joe Scaduto, Katie
6 and Michael Wuellner, Dustin, Kellen, Cassie, and Larren Johns,
7 and Christopher, Johnathan, and Andrew Schmidt; and his special
8 aunts, Betty Sue Stearns and Charlotte Long; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Drew Schmidt and extend our sincerest condolences to his
12 family, friends, and community; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
15 sympathy.