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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 Will E. Stewart, Jr., who passed away on December 8, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. was born on November 7, 1952 in Phillips, Mississippi; his parents were Merlene and Will E. Stewart, Sr.; he married Vonnie R. Sawyer on December 8, 1990; and

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WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. spent his childhood years in Mississippi and Tennessee; at the age of 10, he and his family relocated to Chicago, where he subsequently attended Forestville High School and graduated from the Postal Academy; in 1993, he and his wife relocated to Houston, Texas, where they lived for 23 years; and

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WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. was an employee at U.S. Steel Tubular Products in Houston, Texas; he was also the co-owner and founder of Chi-Town Ribs and Pizza; and

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WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. enjoyed fishing and making meals for his family; and

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WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. was preceded in death by his

1 sister, Glenda, and his beloved dog, Rambo; and

2 WHEREAS, Will Stewart, Jr. is survived by his wife, Vonnie
3 Stewart; his son, Will E. Stewart III; his daughter, Erika
4 Stewart; his siblings, Linda (Gary), Dorothy, Beverly, Sheila,
5 Micheal, Terry (Rebecca), Granville (Shanaven), Gary (Karen),
6 Kimberly, and Rhonda; his many uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews,
7 cousins, and godchildren; the children he loved and raised as
8 his own, Tamra and Kevion; and his many friends; therefore, be
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10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
12 family and friends, mourn the passing of Will E. Stewart, Jr.;
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14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Will Stewart, Jr. as an expression
16 of our sympathy.