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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 Steve Chidester of Cortland, who passed away on May 19, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Steve Chidester was born on March 29, 1972 in Geneva; his parents were Larry and Sandi Chidester; he married Lorraine Bradley on May 4, 1996; they began their new life together in Elburn but made their home in Sugar Grove in 2000; on September 15, 2003, they moved to their current home in Cortland; and

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WHEREAS, Steve Chidester grew up in Elburn and attended local schools; he graduated from Kaneland High School with the Class of 1990; before accepting his diploma, he went to the State meet on the cross country team, excelled in track, where he specialized in the pole vault, and made a name for himself on the wrestling team; and

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WHEREAS, After graduation, Steve Chidester worked for Speedway Disposal, Tandem Landscaping, and National Construction Rentals; most recently, he was proud to serve as a Highway Maintainer III for the Kane County Department of Transportation; and

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1 WHEREAS, Steve Chidester was a member of the Aurora Land
2 Archers Club; he and his dad were avid bow hunters that entered
3 many competitions over the years and took hunting trips in
4 Illinois and Colorado, where they hunted elk and white tail
5 deer; he also enjoyed fishing with his family and friends, and
6 sitting around a campfire that he made and lit himself, the
7 Denver Broncos, and hiking and climbing; and

8 WHEREAS, Steve Chidester is preceded in death by his
9 daughter, Alyssa Lee Chidester; his paternal grandparents,
10 Lawerance and Beverly Chidester; his maternal grandparents,
11 Stephen and Ruth Dawson; and his faithful dog, Montana Marie;
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13 WHEREAS, Steve Chidester is survived by his loving wife,
14 Lorraine; his parents; his siblings, Tammy Lynn (Bill) Miller
15 and Shellie Kay (Daniel) Sparks; his mother-in-law, Lucy
16 Bradley; his sister-in-law, Annie Ruelas; his nephews, Travis
17 Miller, Dominic Ruelas, and Adryan Ruelas; his nieces, Olivia
18 Miller and Alanna Ruelas; many aunts, uncles, and cousins; his
19 best four-legged friend, Gracie; and many other family members
20 and friends; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
23 family and friends, mourn the passing of Steve Chidester; and

1 be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of Steve Chidester as an expression of
4 our sympathy.