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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 Lawrence "Ken" Kensick of Crystal Lake, who passed away on November 7, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba to John and Kathleen (Robel) Kensick on July 17, 1937; he married Maureen Ann Croxton in 1965; and

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WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick joined the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) in 1955 as an officer and fighter pilot flying the F-86 and F-104; during his service, he deployed to Germany and France as part of the NATO defensive operations countering the Soviet Union; after leaving the RCAF in 1965, he was hired as a pilot at United Airlines in Detroit, Michigan; he moved to Seattle in 1966; he moved to Crystal Lake in 1968 where he remained for the remainder of his career; he had a diverse flying career at United Airlines, flying the DC-7, DC-8, 727, DC-10, 757, 767, and finishing up on the 747; he retired in 1997 from United, logging over 20,000 hours of flight time; and

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WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick remained in Crystal Lake after his retirement; he continued to pursue his passions of motorcycle riding, flying his Cessna 170, and restoring a 1929 Model A; he was seen almost daily working out at Health Bridge

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1 and later in life developed a love of fishing and golf; in the
2 last few years, he and his wife began to split their time
3 between Crystal Lake and their winter home in Naples, Florida;
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5 WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick had an enduring interest in
6 hockey; he played in an adult league, was one of the founding
7 members of the Crystal Lake Hockey Club, where he served as
8 Club president and coached his three sons; he enjoyed watching
9 his two grandsons begin their hockey careers; and

10 WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick was preceded in death by his
11 siblings, Walter, Millie, Marg, and Eileen; and his parents;
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13 WHEREAS, Lawrence Kensick is survived by his wife, Maureen;
14 his sons, Stephen (Julie), Michael (Robyn), and David (Anita)
15 Kensick; his grandchildren, Rachel, Grace, Eric, Jared,
16 Holden, and Calvin; and his siblings, Stan (Thelma), Evelyn,
17 and Jerry; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
20 family and friends, mourn the passing of Lawrence "Ken"
21 Kensick, and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
22 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Lawrence Kensick as an expression of
3 our deepest sympathy.