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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 Nelson A. "Pete" Wright III, M.D., who passed away on November 4, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wright, the son of Dr. Nelson A. Wright Jr. and Melba Rose Wright, was born on March 16, 1931; he graduated from Pekin High School in 1949 and Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio in 1953; he married Barbara Ann Johnson on July 9, 1955; he received his Doctor of Medicine from the Abraham Lincoln School of Medicine, now the University of Illinois Chicago, in 1957; he served in the U.S. Army, and he was discharged with the rank of captain; he completed his Internal Medicine Residency at Illinois Central Hospital in Chicago and later became certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Medical Specialties; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wright practiced medicine with his father in Pekin for 37 years, retiring in 1997; he was an active attending staff member at Pekin Memorial Hospital, now Carle Health Pekin Hospital, where he was twice elected to serve as president of the staff; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wright was a member of Grace United Methodist Church of Pekin, a lifelong member of the Pekin Country Club,

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1 and a dedicated Shriner whose good standing led to his
2 invitation to join the Royal Order of Jesters; he regularly
3 donated to his church, the Salvation Army, Pekin Memorial
4 Hospital, the Tazewell Animal Protective Society (TAPS), and
5 Kenyon College; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright and his wife supported the Center for
7 Prevention of Abuse (CFPA) by donating money and their medical
8 practice building to serve as the organization's second
9 domestic violence emergency shelter in Pekin, which was named
10 the Carol House of Hope in memory of their late daughter,
11 Carol; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright loved golfing and playing tennis with
13 his friends; he also enjoyed traveling and drinking wine; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright was preceded in death by his parents;
15 his brother, Dr. Robert M. "Buck" Wright; and his daughter,
16 Carol M. Wright; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright is survived by his wife; his son, Dr.
18 David N. (Kay) Wright; two grandsons; and one
19 great-granddaughter; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 Nelson A. "Pete" Wright III, M.D. and extend our sincere
2 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
3 him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Dr. Wright as an expression of our
6 deepest sympathy.