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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 Michael John Gerace, formerly of Downers Grove, who passed away on April 25, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gerace was born on September 17, 1955, and he was the son of John and Annette (Lupo) Gerace; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gerace served as a firefighter in the Westchester Fire Department for 30 years; he also worked as a painter for Craftsman Painting and Decorating, and he operated his own carpet cleaning business for many years; after his retirement from the Westchester Fire Department, he worked part-time at Kodiak Controls until he moved to Sun Prairie, Wisconsin; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gerace was diligent about his daily workouts and enjoyed reading, fishing, and spending time with his family, especially his three grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gerace was preceded in death by his parents; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gerace is survived by his wife and best friend, Joan (McCabe) Gerace; his children, Michael

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1 John-Charles Gerace and Mallorie Lynn (David) Mertz; his  
2 grandchildren, Samuel, Josie, and Scarlett Mertz; his  
3 siblings, Robert (Pat), Catherine (John) Moore, James (Laura),  
4 and Jack (Theresa); his sisters-in-law, Linda (Gerry) Blight  
5 and Karen (Chuck) Jorgensen; his nieces, nephews, cousins, and  
6 godchildren; and his many friends; therefore, be it

7       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9 Michael John Gerace and extend our sincere condolences to his  
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
11 further

12       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Michael Gerace as an expression of  
14 our deepest sympathy.