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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Kristen  
4 Pierce-Sherrod, chief executive officer (CEO) of Harold's  
5 Chicken and co-founder of the Chicago Children Equestrian  
6 Center; and

7           WHEREAS, Kristen Pierce-Sherrod, the daughter of Harold's  
8 Chicken founders Harold and Hilda Pierce, was raised in  
9 Beaverville; and

10           WHEREAS, Kristen Pierce-Sherrod continued her parents'  
11 legacy, becoming CEO of Harold's Chicken in 2000; during her  
12 more than 20 years at the helm, she was credited for retaining  
13 the business's close ties to Chicago's culture and identity,  
14 maintaining the brand's reputation as a Chicago staple, while  
15 expanding the regional brand into a national chain of  
16 restaurants located across eight states; and

17           WHEREAS, Kristen Pierce-Sherrod and her husband, Vincent  
18 Sherrod, co-founded the non-profit Chicago Children Equestrian  
19 Center in 2021, providing underserved and vulnerable youth  
20 with the opportunity to learn horsemanship as well as lessons  
21 of self-love and responsibility through equine therapy; and

1           WHEREAS, Kristen Pierce-Sherrod was a phenomenal business  
2 woman who will be remembered for her prolific impact on  
3 Harold's Chicken, the City of Chicago, and the State of  
4 Illinois; therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
6 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 we mourn the passing of Kristen Pierce-Sherrod, chief  
8 executive officer (CEO) of Harold's Chicken and co-founder of  
9 the Chicago Children Equestrian Center, and extend our sincere  
10 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
11 her; and be it further

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