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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Leondo Lee Sudduth of Minnesota, who
4 passed away on January 4, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth was born to LeeAnn Sudduth and
6 William "Paul" Elliott in Minneapolis, Minnesota on April 13,
7 1977; he graduated from Patrick Henry High School in
8 Minneapolis in 1995, where he served as senior class president
9 and a member of the speech team; during high school, he
10 participated and excelled in Academic Cultural Technological &
11 Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO), an NAACP-sponsored program that
12 celebrates and encourages excellence among high school
13 students nationwide, and he earned an award highlighting his
14 exceptional talent and commitment to personal growth; he
15 married Robbin Briscoe on August 8, 2009; and

16 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth was passionate about sports,
17 serving as a football and basketball coach at Northeast Middle
18 School in Minneapolis, where he mentored young athletes with
19 dedication and care; he also worked as a special education
20 assistant, guiding students academically and personally; while
21 working at Northeast, he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Human
22 Resources from Concordia University, St. Paul in 2007; and

1 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth's professional journey reflected
2 his love for people; he held impactful roles, including as a
3 workforce development representative during the Great
4 Recession; he treated clients with respect, warmth, and humor,
5 forging meaningful relationships with staff and clients; he
6 also served as a case manager, helping formerly incarcerated
7 individuals find employment and rebuild their lives; he
8 continued to lead and inspire at Hennepin County, where he
9 served as manager of the New Employee Academy Program and was
10 fondly referred to as "the face of Hennepin County"; later, he
11 brought his passion for people into healthcare while working
12 as a recruiter for Fairview Health Services, hiring nurses and
13 support staff with care and attention; and

14 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth was a devoted husband and father,
15 sharing countless moments with his daughter, Taylor, while
16 bonding over sports, current events, and their love of
17 Godfather's Pizza; he was affectionately known by many
18 nicknames, including "Londo", "Ivan", "Man", "Henry", "Big
19 Dough", "Doe", "the Favorite", and "the Golden Boy", and for
20 his humor, kindness, and infectious personality; he will be
21 remembered for his leadership, unmatched listening skills, and
22 ability to make people feel valued; and

23 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth was preceded in death by his
24 grandparents, Chloe Doty, Joe Sudduth, Ethel Elliott, and

1 Pontiac Elliott; and

2 WHEREAS, Leondo Sudduth is survived by his wife, Robbin;
3 his daughter, Taylor Sudduth; his mother, LeeAnn Sudduth; his
4 fathers, William "Paul" Elliott and Dee Loyd Sr.; his
5 father-in-law, Robert Briscoe; his brothers, Dee Loyd Jr.,
6 Julius Barker, and Robert N. Briscoe; his sisters, Cchles
7 Sudduth-Harris and Bianca Moore; his nephews, Kameron Briscoe
8 and Vinnie Moore; his nieces, Desiree Loyd, Kaira Kenzy, and
9 Khaica Berkely; and a host of extended family, friends, and
10 loved ones; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Leondo Lee Sudduth and extend our sincere condolences to his
14 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Leondo Sudduth as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.