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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 Thomas M. "Tom" Yucuis of East Dundee, who passed away on February 24, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Yucuis was born in Chicago to Charles P. and Carol J. (Sommer) Yucuis on December 6, 1955; he was raised in Sleepy Hollow and graduated from Dundee Community High School in Carpentersville in 1973; he married Jill A. Rakow on May 1, 1976; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Yucuis was a butcher and meat cutter for 50 years; he owned and operated Butcher On The Block Meat and Deli in Lake in the Hills with his wife; his vision was to create a small family business where he could share his expertise and passion for great food, and over the course of his 25 years in business, his daughters and many grandchildren have worked at Butcher on the Block, sharing in his dream; he loved interacting with his loyal customers who supported the business and made it the success that it is today; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Yucuis was a longtime faithful member of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Dundee; he was an avid golfer and a fan of the White Sox, Chicago Bears, and Chicago Blackhawks; he could easily be found frequenting East

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1 Dundee businesses, enjoying Wine Down Wednesdays, Thirsty
2 Thursdays, or just a nice walk downtown; he loved his
3 grandchildren, supporting them at their sporting events and
4 through other life events; he loved to travel and spent
5 vacations with his beloved wife and family; and

6 WHEREAS, Tom Yucuis was preceded in death by his parents;
7 his daughter, Emily; his brother, Raymond Yucuis; his sister,
8 Shari Anatra; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Eugene and
9 Barbara Rakow; and his brothers-in-law, Lane Rakow and Bruce
10 Kling; and

11 WHEREAS, Tom Yucuis survived by his wife of 50 years,
12 Jill; his daughters, Dana Yucuis, Katie (Vince) Neil, and
13 Brynn (Brian) Zimmerman; his grandchildren, Preston (Jillian),
14 Shea, Dominik, Kendall, Anya, Brady, Spencer, Cameron, Macy,
15 and Maddox; his siblings, Lynne Kling, James (Ann), Jack
16 (Jacquie), Rob (Chris) Yucuis, and Nancy (Brad) Dehmlow; his
17 Rakows-in-law, Kristi (Dennis) DeSantis, Mark (Debra) Rakow,
18 Lantz (Marianne) Rakow, and Susan Rakow; many nieces, nephews,
19 grandnieces, and grandnephews; and countless good and faithful
20 friends; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
22 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
23 Thomas M. "Tom" Yucuis of East Dundee and extend our sincere

1 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
2 him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Tom Yucuis of East Dundee as an
5 expression of our deepest sympathy.