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## SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Thomas Charles Bohdan, who passed away on April 29, 2025 at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan was born to Walter and Agnes Bohdan in Chicago on January 30, 1949; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan followed his lifelong passion for education, receiving degrees from Kendall College and Northwestern University as well as a master's degree in library science from Rosary College, now Dominican University; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan held various teaching and leadership positions across schools in Evanston, Oak Park, River Forest, and Naperville, inspiring students through innovative programs such as the Veterans History Project, debate competitions, and interactive Civil War lessons; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan held a profound admiration for American history, particularly the Civil War era, and he was deeply engaged in religious studies, finding significance in exploring various faith traditions; and

1       WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan's Catholic faith was a guiding  
2       force throughout his life, shaping his values, his dedication  
3       to service, and his commitment to education; he remained a  
4       devoted parishioner of St. Luke Church for many years; and

5       WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan was a passionate antique collector  
6       who delighted in uncovering historical artifacts and sharing  
7       their stories with friends and family; and

8       WHEREAS, Thomas Bohdan is survived by his wife of 52  
9       years, Susan (Troyer) Bohdan; his children, Christopher  
10      (Megan) and Theresa (Timothy Wheeler); his grandchildren,  
11      Tilton, Theodore, and Wynn; his siblings, Michael, Peter, and  
12      Mary Anne; and his extended family; therefore, be it

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

18      RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19      presented to the family of Thomas Bohdan as an expression of  
20      our deepest sympathy.