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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Mario A. Pasin, who passed away on  
4 August 18, 2025 at the age of 95; and

5 WHEREAS, Mario Pasin was born in Oak Park on February 6,  
6 1930 to Antonio and Anna Pasin, Italian immigrants who  
7 instilled the values of hard work and integrity in their  
8 family; he attended St. Giles School and Fenwick High School  
9 before enrolling at the University of Notre Dame, where he  
10 received both his undergraduate and law degrees; he married  
11 Mary Kay in 1959; and

12 WHEREAS, Mario Pasin's father, Antonio, was a skilled wood  
13 craftsman who founded the family business, Radio Flyer, makers  
14 of the iconic little red wagon of the same name, which was  
15 inspired by two great inventions of the early 20th century,  
16 the radio and the airplane; and

17 WHEREAS, Mario Pasin dedicated himself to leading Radio  
18 Flyer from the 1960s through the 1990s, carrying forward the  
19 company's mission of creativity, quality, and care; under his  
20 leadership, the company thrived, and in turn, he earned deep  
21 respect for treating all employees with fairness, dignity, and  
22 equality in the workplace; and

1       WHEREAS, Mario Pasin, in addition to his professional  
2       life, restored and preserved his family's dairy farm in  
3       Wisconsin, planting thousands of trees, rehabilitating the  
4       lake, and creating a lasting natural sanctuary that reflected  
5       his love of the outdoors; and

6       WHEREAS, Mario Pasin was known as a man of integrity,  
7       humility, compassion, and generosity, qualities that inspired  
8       his family and community alike to continue his legacy of  
9       kindness and stewardship; and

10       WHEREAS, Mario Pasin was preceded in death by his parents  
11       and his sister; and

12       WHEREAS, Mario Pasin is survived by his wife of 66 years,  
13       Mary Kay; his children, Mark (Mary Margaret), Therese (David)  
14       Brandenstein, Antonio, Paul (Jane), and Robert (Muriel Quinn);  
15       his grandchildren, Paul (Jenny), Mary (Kassi), and Miles  
16       Brandenstein, Helen, Henry, Oscar, and Linus Quinn Pasin, and  
17       Augustine (Moe) and Joy Pasin; and his great-grandchild, June;  
18       therefore, be it

19       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
20       ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
21       Mario A. Pasin and extend our sincere condolences to his

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

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