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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Dominic Constantino Giacomini of
4 Springfield, who passed away on February 19, 2026; and

5 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini was born to Domenic J. and Rose
6 Mary (Scaduto) Giacomini in Springfield on April 24, 1934; he
7 was raised in Springfield and graduated from St. Agnes Grade
8 School and Cathedral Boys High School; he served in the United
9 States Army during the Korean Conflict; he attended Bradley
10 University and graduated from Western Illinois University; he
11 earned his Master of Public Administration from the University
12 of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and

13 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini served as coach of the women's
14 tennis program, the Prairie Stars, at Sangamon State
15 University (SSU), known today as the University of Illinois
16 Springfield (UIS), for 16 seasons from 1991 to 2007; under his
17 direction, the Prairie Stars won 177 matches and secured eight
18 regional titles from the National Association of
19 Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA), and he coached 23 academic
20 scholar-athletes as well as all-American and SSU/UIS Hall of
21 Famer Carla Jimenez during his tenure; in recognition of his
22 work and impact, he was inducted into the second class of the
23 UIS Athletics Hall of Fame in 2015; and

1 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini, prior to SSU/UIS, served as a
2 volunteer tennis coach at Ursuline Academy, where he began
3 coaching in 1978 and led the team to three state tournaments in
4 five years, and he coached tennis at Lincoln Land Community
5 College for seven seasons; and

6 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini and his wife also hosted the
7 Giacomini Tennis Academy every summer for more than 35 years,
8 a program that continues to this day at the YMCA; more
9 recently, he and his family helped run a summer YMCA camp with
10 the support of several UIS tennis student-athletes; and

11 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini, outside of tennis, worked for
12 the Illinois Department of Transportation - Urban Planning for
13 32 years, retiring in 1991; he and his family ran, expanded,
14 and incorporated Giacomini Parking in the Springfield Medical
15 District, and he was also part of the family wedding video
16 business; and

17 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini was a faithful member of
18 Blessed Sacrament Church, and he was a member of the Sangamon
19 County Regional Planning Commission; and

20 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini, known for his selflessness,
21 was a committed family man who loved spending time with his

1 children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren during pasta
2 dinners, Lake Springfield events, family workdays, and holiday
3 gatherings; and

4 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini was preceded in death by his
5 parents; his teenage brother, Paul Giacomini; and his baby
6 sister, Patricia Giacomini; and

7 WHEREAS, Dominic Giacomini is survived by his wife,
8 Patricia "Pat" Giacomini, who he married in 1959; his
9 children, Patrick (Debbie) Giacomini, Christine "Kay" (Steve)
10 McClimans, Tom (Erin) Giacomini, Michelle (Greg) Williamson,
11 Lisa (the late Jim) Giacomini-Fay, Angie (Mike) Walsh, and
12 Nick (Danielle) Giacomini; 25 grandchildren; ten
13 great-grandchildren, with three more on the way; and many
14 special cousins, nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it

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

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Dominic Giacomini as an expression
22 of our deepest sympathy.