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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 Donna Marie "Mama" Malnati of Chicago, who passed away on January 3, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Donna Malnati was born to Florence and Harold Carter on September 11, 1926; she grew up in Muscatine, Iowa; she worked at an arms plant during World War II; she then moved to Chicago and studied nursing at Northwestern University; she met her husband Rudy Malnati at Pizzeria Uno, and they later celebrated their union at Riccardo's Restaurant; and

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WHEREAS, Donna Malnati worked as a registered nurse at Wesley Memorial and Passavant Memorial Hospitals; and

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WHEREAS, Donna Malnati was especially known for her pizza dough-making prowess at Pizano's Pizza and Pasta; she initially learned the craft from her late husband, who developed his pizza prowess working at Pizzeria Uno; although she remained partial to Chicago deep dish pizza, she was instrumental in helping her son, Rudy Jr., develop Pizano's thin crust pizza dough; she spent many nights into her 80s fashioning dough balls from an old and secret family recipe; after a long night of dough-making, she enjoyed a Campari cocktail or a Black & White Scotch whisky; and

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1 WHEREAS, Donna Malnati was preceded in death by her
2 parents; her husband; her son, Robert (Susan) Malnati; and her
3 stepson, Lou Malnati; and

4 WHEREAS, Donna Malnati is survived by her son, Rudy
5 (Annette) Malnati Jr., and her grandchildren, Holly, Rudy,
6 James, and Catherine; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 Donna Marie "Mama" Malnati and extend our sincere condolences
10 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
11 it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Donna Malnati as an expression of
14 our deepest sympathy.