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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Louis J. "Louie" Giordano, formerly of 4 Springfield, who passed away on May 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Louie Giordano was born in Springfield to Carl and Louise (Gentile) Giordano on December 22, 1946; he graduated from Griffin High School and received his bachelor's degree from Illinois College and his master's degree in political studies from the University of Illinois at Springfield; and

WHEREAS, Louie Giordano was active in local and state government for much of his life; he founded Giordano Consulting Services, which became a successful government relations firm that provided legislative services to several statewide trade associations in Illinois; he also co-founded the Systems Evaluation and Analysis Group, which teamed with notable companies, including IBM, Novell, and others, to introduce computer networking systems to several state agencies and private businesses; his company maintained offices in Springfield, Schaumburg, and Phoenix, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Louie Giordano served in Governor James
Thompson's Cabinet for five years as director of the Department
of Personnel and as the first director of the Department of

- 1 Central Management Services; preceding his cabinet positions,
- 2 he was responsible for the re-design of the social services
- 3 delivery system in the Department of Children and Family
- 4 Services and was the chief administrative officer for the
- 5 Department of Public Aid, where in addition to his
- 6 administrative role, he designed and managed the
- 7 implementation of the first and most innovative photo I.D.
- 8 system in the nation; he also served as executive director of
- 9 the Illinois Republican Party for two years; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Louie Giordano taught Public Administration and
- 11 Political Science at Loyola University of Chicago and the
- 12 College of DuPage; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Louie Giordano enjoyed playing golf and
- 14 basketball, attending sporting events, and traveling; his
- favorite travel destination was Italy; his love of golf led him
- 16 to design a unique putter and market it under the Sweetroll
- 17 trade name; he also received several U.S. patents for golf club
- 18 designs; he coached and mentored young golfers on the
- 19 Springfield College of Illinois golf team; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Louie Giordano was a member of the Illini Country
- 21 Club, the Panther Creek Country Club, the University Club of
- 22 Chicago, and the Anthem Country Club; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Louie Giordano was preceded in death by his
- 2 parents and his sister, Clara-Marie Krumwiede; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Louie Giordano is survived by his wife, Aimee; his
- 4 sons, John (Christina) and Mark; his daughter, Tamara Root; his
- 5 brothers, Carl (Martha) and Patrick (Anita); his sisters, Paula
- 6 (Keith) Moore and Nancy (Thomas) Curry; four grandchildren; and
- 7 several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 10 Louis J. "Louie" Giordano and extend our sincere condolences to
- 11 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 12 further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to the family of Louie Giordano as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.