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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 Charles Richard "Charlie" Hoogland of Springfield, who passed away on June 25, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland was born to Clarence and Euna Alexander Hoogland in 1930; he attended Springfield High School; he graduated from Yale University in 1952, where he completed the Naval ROTC program and was a member of the Yale Record and the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity; he served in the U.S. Navy as a 1st Lieutenant during the Korean War; he married Kathleen Knox McLain in Springfield on July 4, 1953, and they had five children together; and

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WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland started his career at Midstates Appliance & Supply Co., a company that his father started in 1946, which was the first wholesale distributor to bring SuperBalls, mood rings, hula hoops, PopAir popcorn machines, and Sony electronics to the Midwest; he then transitioned the company, becoming the founder and CEO of Family Video; he began to expand the company by finding locations on his drive from Springfield to his summer home in Wequetonsing, Michigan; he built Family Video to include 800 stores with over 10,000 employees, becoming the third-largest video store chain in the country; he was extremely proud of building a family business;

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1 his son Keith is now the CEO of the company, and his grandson
2 McLain is the first of the fourth generation to work at the
3 company; and

4 WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland created the Hoogland Family
5 Foundation, one of his greatest accomplishments; through his
6 foundation, he gave substantial gifts to several organizations
7 and causes, including the Hoogland Center of the Arts, the
8 University of Chicago Hoogland Biobank, immunotherapy research
9 at the University of Chicago, lymphoma research at Stanford
10 University, the Vanderbilt University, Hillsdale College, the
11 University of Illinois-Springfield, the Springfield YMCA, and
12 the Little Traverse Conservancy; and

13 WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland enjoyed golfing, solving
14 puzzles, running the 4th of July 10-mile race, snorkeling,
15 playing bridge, and reading; he spent 60 consecutive 4th of
16 Julys with his family in Harbor Springs, Michigan; and

17 WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland was known as someone who was
18 never afraid to fail and was always the first to the party; he
19 will be remembered for his entrepreneurial spirit and
20 patriotism; he loved his wife, his family, and his country; he
21 will be deeply missed; and

22 WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland was preceded in death by his

1 parents; his daughter, Samantha Knox Hoogland; and his
2 grandson, Robert Stults Hoogland; and

3 WHEREAS, Charlie Hoogland is survived by his wife of 67
4 years, Kathleen; his children, Charles Eric Hoogland (Laurie),
5 Keith Alexander Hoogland (Susan), Kathleen Knox Hoogland, and
6 Eliza Hoogland Reynolds (Tim); 16 grandchildren; and five
7 great-grandsons; 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 Charles Richard "Charlie" Hoogland and extend our sincere
11 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
12 him; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Charlie Hoogland as an expression of
15 our deepest sympathy.