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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of L.A. Randle of Creve Coeur, formerly of Peoria, who passed away on June 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, L.A. Randle was born in Cruger, Mississippi to Lizzie B. and Nathaniel Randle Sr. on April 14, 1949; as a small child, his family settled in Peoria, and he attended McKinley Elementary School and Roosevelt Junior High School; he graduated from Manual High School and, as a teen, met the lasting love of his life, Linda Fay Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, L.A. Randle worked for Sealtest Dairy and Doran Trucking prior to founding and operating the long-running Blue Note Lounge, INC. with his brother Frank; after a few years, he and Linda became the owners of the Blue Note Lounge; he and Linda spent over 43 years in the bar business, including owning for many years L.A. Connection-Rhythm and Blues; and

WHEREAS, L.A. Randle and Frank were avid motorcycle club members during their riding years and enjoyed meeting many people while riding with cousins, as well as old and new friends; and

1           WHEREAS, L.A. Randle was preceded in death by his parents;  
2 his sisters, Ruth McClellan and Lizzie Lobdell; his brothers,  
3 Frank, Jimmy, and Rev. RW Randle; his nephew, Julian Lobdell;  
4 and his niece, Glenda Jean Baldwin; and

5           WHEREAS, L.A. Randle is survived by his wife, Linda; his  
6 children, Sean Randle, Vincent (Geni) Randle, Karla  
7 Randle-Jackson (Michael), Juan Coleman, and Leslie Alan  
8 Guthrie; 27 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; his  
9 brothers, Nathaniel Randle, Charles L. (Mary Ann) Randle, and  
10 Robert E. Harris; his sisters, Nancy Moredock and Leola  
11 Jefferson; his sisters-in-law, Dorothy M., Joan, and Ethiel  
12 Randle; and 21 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

13           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
14 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
15 we mourn the passing of L.A. Randle and extend our sincere  
16 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
17 him; and be it further

18           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of L.A. Randle as an expression of our  
20 deepest sympathy.