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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 Chris T. Mesiacos, who passed away on December 27, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Chris T. Mesiacos was born in Gareia, Tega, Arkadia, Greece on October 26, 1927; he arrived in the United States through Ellis Island aboard the Olympia on October 12, 1956; he married his wife Diamanto (Kallianiotis) on December 11, 1960, and they raised a loving family of three children in Aurora until her passing on March 15, 1980; and

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WHEREAS, Chris Mesiacos was a machinist for 32 years with Seal Master/Borg Warner in Aurora; and

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WHEREAS, Chris Mesiacos put an enormous amount of energy into community work; he served as Parish Council President of St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church in Aurora from 1973 to 1975; he served as President of the United Hellenic Voters of America (Aurora Chapter) and as President of Gareia Society St. Kyriaki; and

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WHEREAS, Chris Mesiacos was known as "Papou" by his grandchildren and loved having them with him at community events; his warm and gregarious personality was evident when

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1 he would regale everyone with stories of politics and events  
2 in Chicago and Aurora in great detail; and

3 WHEREAS, Chris Mesiacos was preceded in death by his wife;  
4 his parents; and his three brothers, Nicholas, Constantine,  
5 and John; and

6 WHEREAS, Chris Mesiacos is survived by his brother,  
7 Demetrios (Adamantia); his sister, Georgia; his children,  
8 Demetra Gikas (Aristidis), Maria Kaldis (Antonios), and City  
9 of Aurora Alderman Theodoros "Ted" Mesiacos (Ekaterini); his  
10 grandchildren, Aggeliki, Diamanto, Panagiota,  
11 Christos-Nicholas Gikas, Evagelos (Christina), Efterpie,  
12 Christos Kaldis, Diamanto, and Christos Mesiacos; and his many  
13 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
16 Chris T. Mesiacos, commend his service to the community, and  
17 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all  
18 who knew and loved him; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Chris Mesiacos as an expression of  
21 our deepest sympathy.