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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Pedro Velez of Burlington, Wisconsin, 4 who passed away on April 10, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez was born to Octavio Velez and Carmen 6 Lopez Velez in San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico on September 11, 1940; 7 and

8 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez arrived in the United States when he 9 was 17; he began his journey on the east coast and later moved 10 to Chicago where he would meet his love, Carin; and

11 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez married Carin (Malecki) Velez and 12 remained married for over 50 years; and

13 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez and his wife later moved to Lake 14 Geneva, Wisconsin where he spent the rest of his life; and

15 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez was affectionately known as Bolo, a 16 nickname given to him by his firstborn grandson; and

17 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez was an avid dominoes player and was18 an exceptional gardener and cook; and

SR0300 -2-LRB102 18331 ECR 26093 r 1 WHEREAS, Pedro Velez was the loving father of William 2 Velez, Amy Velez, John (Vanessa) Velez, Edward (Maggie) Velez, 3 Rebecca (Benjamin Collazo) Velez-Collazo, and Eric Velez, the dearest brother of Roberto Velez, the late Genaro Velez, 4 5 Octavio (Victor) Velez, the late Carmelina Velez, Jose Antonio Velez, and Ana Celia Velez, the beloved son of the late Octavio 6 and Carmen (Rivera) Velez, the cherished grandfather of 7 Benjamin Collazo, Liliana Velez, Emily Velez, Daniela Velez, 8 9 Michael Morgan, Lucas Collazo, Charles "Chucky" Castro, and 10 Justin Castro, the fond uncle of many nieces and nephews, and 11 the missed presence of many other relatives and friends; 12 therefore, be it

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

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to the family of Pedro Velez as an expression of our 19 deepest sympathy.