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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 2 3 to learn of the death of Raymond Joseph Garza, who passed away 4 on February 2, 2021 at the age of 82; and 5 WHEREAS, Raymond Garza was born to Gonzalo and Josephine 6 Garza in Chicago on August 12, 1938; and 7 WHEREAS, Raymond Garza bravely served his country in the 8 United States Army; and 9 employed at Alverno WHEREAS, Raymond Garza was Laboratories before his retirement; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Raymond Garza was an active contributor to a 12 number of charities and causes, including the St. Jude's Children's Hospital; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Raymond Garza was known by those around him as an 15 incredibly kind and caring man who made everyone feel special 16 with his wit and humor; he enjoyed spending time with friends and family; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Raymond Garza is survived by his loving wife of 19 54 years, Mary Lou (Diaz) Garza; his four children, Raul (Mary

- 1 Kathryn) Garza, Raymond G. (Christine) Garza, Michelle (Kevin)
- 2 Kirkham, and Jeanette (Ignacio) Negrete; his two brothers,
- 3 Robert and Richard Garza; his eight grandchildren, Mackenzie,
- 4 Lucinda, Mia, Marina, Zachary, Samuel, Ethan, and Dominic; and
- 5 his many nieces, nephews, and friends; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Raymond Joseph Garza and extend our sincere condolences to his
- 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That that a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Raymond Joseph Garza as an
- expression of our deepest sympathy.