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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 Gerald Edward "Jerry" Osborne, Ph.D. of Grafton, who passed away on February 26, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Osborne was born to "Herb" Osborne and Meehan "Gen" Osborne in Chicago on November 25, 1938; he received his Bachelor of Arts from DePaul University, where he majored in English and Social Studies and minored in Philosophy and Education; he obtained his Master of Education in Counseling Psychology from DePaul University; he earned his Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Purdue University; his graduate study in Psychology included the University of Illinois and Chicago State University and graduate study in Law at DePaul University; he additionally completed postdoctoral study in Community Mental Health and Mental Health Consultation at Harvard University; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Osborne contributed to higher education nationally and internationally across four decades; he retired as assistant vice chancellor from the University of Houston, where he fostered the development of graduate psychologists and the mental health and success of undergraduate and graduate students; he extensively published and presented scholarship and research; he supervised many doctoral

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1 dissertations; in addition to his psychological expertise, he
2 made contributions to institutional effectiveness and
3 professional testing development, validation, and use; he
4 consulted professionally across the United States and in
5 Europe and South America; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Osborne's virtues included possessing strong
7 intellectual gifts, lifelong work making these gifts
8 actionable, and contributing to human well-being, emotional
9 sensitivity, personal integrity, and the centrality and
10 importance of love; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Osborne was preceded in death by his parents;
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13 WHEREAS, Dr. Osborne is survived by his wife, Dr. Colleen
14 Hester; his brother, Fr. Thomas Osborne; his son, Kurt (Dana
15 Stone Osborne) Osborne; his grandson, Brendan Osborne;
16 additional family members, Mary Pat Osborne and Shirley
17 Gallagher; and many friends; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Gerald Edward "Jerry" Osborne, Ph.D. and extend our sincere
21 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
22 him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Dr. Osborne as an expression of our
3 deepest sympathy.