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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of James F. "Jim" Caldbeck of River Forest, who passed away on October 17, 2022 at the age of 94; and

WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck was born to Cornelius and Elizabeth Caldbeck in Chicago on September 14, 1928; he grew up as the sixth of seven children in a lively Irish family; as a child,

he developed and maintained a strong sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck performed with the Holy Name Cathedral Choristers in his early days, and a photo of a choir performance once landed him on the cover of Catholic Women's Magazine; and

WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck joined the U.S. Marine Corps after graduating from De LaSalle High School; he trained at Parris Island and was stationed at Camp Lejeune before boarding a ship to serve on the Mediterranean Sea; upon returning home from the Marines, he studied business at Loyola University; and

WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck married Michele "Micki" in 1967, and they later welcomed three daughters while living in River

- 1 Forest; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck was an avid sports fan and enjoyed
- 3 high school, college, and professional games; his favorite
- 4 teams included the Chicago Bears, the Notre Dame Fighting
- 5 Irish, and the Chicago White Sox; his favorite pastime was
- 6 playing tennis; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck was comfortable with performing
- 8 domestic duties; he sang You Are My Sunshine to his daughters
- 9 and drove them to school every day; in the kitchen, his
- 10 specialties included brownies, which were sought after by
- family members and friends, and his mashed potato soup; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck was known for being a snappy dresser
- due to his mixing and matching of plaid, stripes, and paisley
- in single outfits; he will be remembered for his dad jokes and
- 15 his willingness to offer a compliment or a helping hand; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck was preceded in death by his parents
- and his siblings, Dorothy, Jack, Sunny, Alice, Ray, and Mary;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, Jim Caldbeck is survived by his wife of 55 years,
- 20 Michele; his daughters, Elizabeth (Craig), Maureen (Adam), and
- 21 Cara (Elliot); and his granddaughter, Madeline; therefore, be

- 1 it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 4 James F. "Jim" Caldbeck and extend our sincere condolences to
- 5 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 6 further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the family of Jim Caldbeck as an expression of our
- 9 deepest sympathy.