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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Paul Steven Gregoire, who passed away on May 21 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire was born in Chicago to Edward and Dolores Gregoire on March 14, 1960; he graduated from Kenwood Academy High School in 1978 and earned his bachelor's and master's degree in law enforcement administration from Calumet College of St. Joseph; he married Jayvonne McGee in the summer of 1991; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire served and protected the citizens of Chicago as a member of the Chicago Police Department; his tenure on the force began in 1986 as a patrolman, and he rose through the ranks, first to detective in 1996 and then to sergeant in 2004; he received numerous departmental awards and commendations throughout his 30 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire's favorite pastimes were taking walks to Cole Park, teeing off on the golf course, swimming laps at the YMCA, and enjoying VIP status when attending sporting events with his cousin, Billy; he was happy to be able to travel with family and friends and especially enjoyed his trip overseas to Dubai and Abu Dhabi; he adopted the city of

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1 Houston as a second home and traveled there often to visit  
2 family; and

3 WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire was affectionately know as "Bear"  
4 and was proud of the familial bond he developed with his  
5 siblings, cousins, and close friends throughout his childhood;  
6 he would often reminisce, retelling stories about the many  
7 adventures he shared with his brothers and sisters; he loved  
8 his daughters and had no greater source of pride; he found  
9 great joy in sitting in the audience as he witnessed both of  
10 his daughters graduate from institutions of higher learning;  
11 he was a formidable man with a loving and compassion spirit;  
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13 WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire was preceded in death by his  
14 parents; his brothers, Rene and Edward (Greg) Jr.; and his  
15 sister, Aleda; and

16 WHEREAS, Paul Gregoire is survived by his daughters, Alex  
17 and Maya; his sister, Jocelyn Gregoire; his brother-cousin,  
18 Billy Hilbring; his aunt, Helen (Ferrell) Daste; his nieces,  
19 Tanya (Lynn) Fields, Jessica Watkins, and Simone Watkins; his  
20 nephews, John Gregoire, Paul (Joya) Gregoire, Rene (Javon)  
21 Gregoire, Zachary Watkins, and Carl Jackson McGee III; and  
22 numerous cousins, relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we mourn the passing of Paul Steven Gregoire and extend our  
4 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew  
5 and loved him; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the family of Paul Gregoire as an expression of  
8 our deepest sympathy.