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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 Reverend Monsignor David S. Lantz, who passed away on September 26, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz was born to Scott W. Lantz Jr. and Wanda "Rosie" Waller Lantz in Springfield on January 25, 1952; he attended St. Patrick's Grade School and graduated from Griffin High School; he attended Loyola University and received his bachelor's degree in philosophy from Cardinal Glennon College; he achieved his Master of Divinity from Kenrick Seminary and his master's degree in education from Saint Louis University; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz was a retired priest of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois; he was ordained a deacon in May 1977 and ordained a priest at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on May 27, 1978; he received the papal honor of Chaplain to His Holiness, which was conferred on August 23, 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz faithfully served every appointment made by the Diocese of Springfield, including St. Peter in Quincy, Quincy Notre Dame High School, Ss. Peter and Paul in Alton, Christ the King in Springfield, Griffin High

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2 Springfield, Springfield College in Illinois/Benedictine
3 University in Springfield, Diocesan Seminary of the Immaculate
4 Conception in Springfield, St. James in Riverton, Holy Family
5 in Decatur, St. John Vianney in Sherman, St. Aloysius in
6 Springfield, St. Mary in Taylorville, St. Rita in Kincaid, and
7 Holy Trinity in Stonington; and

8 WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz served the Diocese of
9 Springfield in many capacities through the Office for Lay
10 Ministry, the Office for the Diaconate, and the Office for
11 Ministry Formation; he was bestowed the honor of pastor
12 emeritus from Christ the King in Springfield in 2022 for
13 demonstrating exceptional service and leadership within the
14 church community; and

15 WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz's service to the Diocese took
16 him on many pilgrimages of faith around the world; most
17 notably, he was provided the rarest opportunity to
18 concelebrate mass with Pope John Paul II in 2001; he also
19 enjoyed traveling with his family and closest friends; he was
20 well loved by his parishioners, students, and family, creating
21 bonds that lasted a lifetime; and

22 WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz was preceded in death by his
23 parents; and

1 WHEREAS, Rev. Msgr. Lantz is survived by his sister, Debby
2 Lantz; his brothers, Mike (Paula) Lantz, Tim (Kitty) Lantz,
3 Mark (Karen) Lantz, Steve (Mary Ann) Lantz, and Jeff Lantz;
4 his uncle, Fr. Gary Lantz; 11 nieces and nephews; 12
5 great-nieces and great-nephews; his friends who were like
6 family; and his brother priests; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
9 Reverend Monsignor David S. Lantz and extend our sincere
10 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
11 him; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Rev. Msgr. Lantz as an expression of
14 our deepest sympathy.