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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 Lance Bolonik of River Forest, who passed away on June 28, 2024 at the age of 82; and

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WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik was born to Dr. Samuel and Sadie Bolonik in Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik graduated from Oak Park and River Forest High School in 1959, and he then graduated from Purdue University with a degree in mechanical engineering, later studying at Dominican University to receive a business degree; and

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WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik served in the U.S. Navy from 1964 to 1969, where he piloted E1B Tracers, known as Willy Fudds; and

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WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik had a successful 30-year career as a sales representative with MONY; he later found joy working as a substitute teacher at his alma mater, Roosevelt Middle School in River Forest; and

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WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik was a second-generation member of the West Suburban Temple Har Zion in River Forest, where he and

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1 his family forged lifelong friendships; and

2 WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik enjoyed being in the company of his
3 friends; he found other people and their life experiences
4 fascinating and always had a pun or dad joke at the ready; and

5 WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik was preceded in death by his
6 parents; and

7 WHEREAS, Lance Bolonik is survived by his wife; his
8 daughters, Kera (Meredith Clair) Bolonik and Shana (Michael
9 Cohen) Bolonik Cohen; his grandsons, Theodore Bolonik, Jack
10 Cohen, and Phineas Cohen; his sister, Cheryl Hoffman; and his
11 nephew, Shane (Hanna Siegel) Hoffman; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Lance Bolonik and extend our sincere condolences to his
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Lance Bolonik as an expression of
19 our deepest sympathy.