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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 Richard Bodner of Oak Park, who passed away on May 8, 2024 at the age of 80; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner was born in Sandusky, Ohio on March 31, 1944; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner studied chemistry at the University of Dayton; he then attended Ohio University and Michigan State University, where he obtained his Ph.D. in chemistry; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner worked for engineering firms and taught chemistry at Triton Community College; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner met his wife, Barbara, at the University of Dayton, and they married in 1968; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner and his wife moved to Oak Park in 1973, where they raised their four children; he was known in his neighborhood as being able to fix anything and was helpful to all; and

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WHEREAS, Richard Bodner spent much of his time on Beaver

1 Island, Michigan and enjoyed sailing, skiing, and spending  
2 time outdoors; and

3 WHEREAS, Richard Bodner battled Alzheimer's and was  
4 passionate in supporting Alzheimer's research; and

5 WHEREAS, Richard Bodner is survived by his wife, Barbara  
6 Bodner; his children, Allison, Caroline, Rebecca, and Timothy;  
7 his siblings, John (Marilyn) Bodner, Joann (Jim)  
8 Gildenmeister, Thomas (Rosanne) Bodner, and Mary Pat (Phil)  
9 Smith; his eleven grandchildren; and his two  
10 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

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

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Richard Bodner as an expression of  
18 our deepest sympathy.