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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 Victor Markiewicz of Lemont, who passed away on May 25, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Victor Markiewicz was born in Lemont; he graduated from Lemont High School in 1966 and Worsham College of Mortuary Science in Wheeling three years later; he became the third generation of the Markiewicz family to run the Markiewicz Funeral Home in Lemont, which he ran for 30 years; and

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WHEREAS, Victor Markiewicz was an avid sportsman and community leader; he was active in several area clubs and was a major force behind the drive to improve Lemont's Main Street in the late 1980s; during the 1970s and 1980s, he served as a high school basketball official and baseball umpire; in the 1990s, he provided play-by-play for football, basketball, and volleyball games on Lemont Community TV, and did the same later for Will County Channel 6; the broadcasts were strictly volunteer based, but Mr. Markiewicz approached each game like a professional, with his passion and outgoing nature making the games a joy for everyone; he was active at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Lemont, where he helped out as Eucharistic minister, lector, usher, and past president of the Parish Pastoral Council; and

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1 WHEREAS, Victor Markiewicz was a White Sox fan and gym rat
2 who loved watching sports at every level; he also loved
3 spending time on his boat in New Buffalo, Michigan; and

4 WHEREAS, Victor Markiewicz will be remembered by all who
5 knew him as a funny and personable man who always knew how to
6 comfort people in their times of sadness; and

7 WHEREAS, Victor Markiewicz is survived by his wife, Connie;
8 his sons, Matt and Brian; his daughter, Lauren; and two
9 grandchildren; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
12 his family and friends, the passing of Victor Markiewicz; and
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Victor Markiewicz as an expression
16 of our sympathy.