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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Ron
4 Ingram of Decatur, who passed away on December 6, 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram was born on June 9th, 1946 in Hastings,
6 Michigan; he was the son of Ronald Ingram and Olga Gordon; he
7 married Sue Burns on June 8, 1969; and

8 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram served as a reporter at the Decatur
9 Herald & Review since September of 1969, shortly after
10 graduating from Michigan State University; during his career,
11 he covered numerous topics, including business, education, the
12 police and court system, and politics; he was well known
13 throughout journalism circles for his unrivaled knowledge of
14 the world of politics, the legal system, and law enforcement
15 and was frequently asked about property taxes; and

16 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram was an active member of the Boy Scouts;
17 he served as a Scoutmaster of Troop 5 for 16 years and helped
18 nearly 40 Eagle Scouts graduate; he held many positions in
19 Scouting, including Den Leader, Cubmaster, Woodbadge
20 Instructor, District Committee member, and Scout Commissioner;
21 during his tenure in the Scouts, he collected many accolades
22 for his efforts, including the coveted Silver Beaver Award; and

1 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram was the recipient of numerous reporting
2 honors, including the National Education Writers Association's
3 grand prize in 1992 for a series he co-authored called "Lost
4 Horizons", which examined the issue of children who quit
5 school; and

6 WHEREAS, Ron was a member of the First Presbyterian Church
7 in Decatur and the History Club of Decatur; and

8 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram enjoyed playing bridge and reading; and

9 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram was preceded in death by his father;
10 his stepfather, Charles Gordon; his son, Mark Ingram; and his
11 granddaughter, Cynthia Ingram; and

12 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram is survived by his wife, Sue; his sons,
13 Ron III (Laura) and Matt; his daughter, Dana (Jason)
14 Kretsinger; his brother, Chuck Gordon; his sister, Pam Gordon;
15 and his grandchildren, Warren Garver, Logan Tewell, Ashley
16 Randolph, Ethan Tewell, Dalton Ingram, Mikhaila Ingram,
17 Matthew Ingram, Jr., Carrisa Kretsinger, Maureen Ingram,
18 Audrey Ingram, and Daphne Kretsinger; and

19 WHEREAS, Ron Ingram will be remembered by all who knew and
20 loved him as a fair-minded and diligent reporter and as a

1 loving and devoted husband and father; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
3 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
4 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Ron
5 Ingram; and be it further

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