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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 Bruno  
4 Bartoszek of Aurora, who passed away on November 1, 2010; and

5           WHEREAS, He was born February 27, 1922 in Toporow, Poland  
6 to the late Simon and Zofia Bartoszek; he was a World War II  
7 veteran; in 1942, he joined the Polish Army after he and his  
8 family were released from Siberian work camps in the Soviet  
9 Union; and

10           WHEREAS, He was a member of the Polish 2nd Corps, 3rd  
11 Carpathian Division under British Command; he saw action in  
12 Libya, Italy, Iran, Iraq, Palestine, Egypt, and Lebanon; he  
13 fought in the Battle of Monte Cassino when the Polish Army  
14 defeated the German forces in May of 1944; he was awarded  
15 several medals during his time of service, including the  
16 Virtuti Militari medal, which is the Polish equivalent to the  
17 Congressional Medal of Honor, the Army Medal(Polish), the  
18 1939-45 Star, the Italy Star, the Defense Medal, and the Cross  
19 of Monte Cassino Medal (Polish); and

20           WHEREAS, After the war, he worked in the British War Office  
21 in London, England before coming to the United States in 1951;  
22 he worked for Aurora Pump, the Burlington Northern Railroad,

1 and subsequently retired as an agent for the Prudential  
2 Insurance Company; and

3 WHEREAS, He was a member of several local clubs and  
4 historical societies in Aurora and the surrounding  
5 communities; he was a volunteer tutor at Waubensee Community  
6 College for their ESL program and was a longtime volunteer with  
7 the Boy Scouts of America; he was named Grand Marshal for  
8 Aurora's Fourth of July parade in 1996; and he was a member of  
9 Our Lady of Good Counsel Church; and

10 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his sisters, Anna,  
11 Teofilia, and Mary; and his brothers, Frank and John; and

12 WHEREAS, Bruno Bartoszek is survived by his wife, Wanda;  
13 his daughter, Annette (Rick) Lawrence; his son, Jack (Donita)  
14 Bartoszek; his grandchildren, Sarah and Stephanie Lawrence,  
15 and Allen Bartoszek; his sister, Angela Buczkiewicz; his  
16 half-brothers, Casmir and Stanley; and his numerous nieces and  
17 nephews; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
19 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
20 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Bruno  
21 Bartoszek; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Bruno Bartoszek as a symbol of our  
3 sincere sympathy.