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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of former State Representative Robert "Bob" Bergman, who passed away on November 29, 2013 at the age of 65; and

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WHEREAS, Representative Bergman was born on November 10, 1948 in Elgin to Vernon and Marion Bergman; and

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WHEREAS, Representative Bergman's interest in politics was evident in his childhood, when he memorized the words to "Making of the President" and wrote many letters to White House officials; and

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WHEREAS, Representative Bergman was raised in the Village of Palatine and lived there for his entire adult life; and

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WHEREAS, Representative Bergman graduated from Palatine High School before joining his father in the family's trucking business, Bergman Trucking; and

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WHEREAS, In 1973, at the age of 24, Representative Bergman followed in his father's footsteps and was elected as the Palatine Township Highway Commissioner, a position he held for 24 years; and

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1 WHEREAS, In the early 1990s, Representative Bergman worked
2 as a customer service representative in the vehicle service
3 department for the Illinois Secretary of State; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman served with distinction in
5 the Illinois House of Representatives from 1996 to 1999 as the
6 Representative of Illinois' 54th District; and

7 WHEREAS, During his tenure in the 90th General Assembly,
8 Representative Bergman sponsored 8 bills that are now Public
9 Acts; and

10 WHEREAS, Upon leaving the General Assembly, Representative
11 Bergman went on to work for Arrow Road Construction until his
12 retirement in 2012; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman remained active in
14 politics as a political advisor to many candidates; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman was a valued community
16 servant who worked tirelessly on behalf of the people of
17 Palatine Township and of Illinois' 54th House District; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman was a true gentleman who
19 loved his family, his community, his friends, politics, and

1 history; and

2 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman was preceded in death by
3 his mother, Marion Bergman; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Bergman is survived by his father,
5 Vernon Bergman; his 4 children; his 6 grandchildren; his 2
6 siblings; and many cherished nieces and nephews; therefore, be
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8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we mourn the passing of Representative Robert "Bob" Bergman,
11 and we extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends,
12 and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Representative Bergman as an
15 expression of our deepest sympathy and most sincere
16 appreciation of his community spirit, his service to the State
17 of Illinois, and his dedication to the people of Illinois' 54th
18 House District.