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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 John Peter Clark, III of Oak Park, who passed away on June 4, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Peter Clark was born on May 6, 1942 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; he graduated from La Salle College High School in 1960 and the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1964; he subsequently earned his Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 1968; and

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WHEREAS, In 1972, Peter Clark joined the faculty at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, where he taught for six years; he then worked for the ITT Continental Baking Company as its director of research; in 1982, he moved to Oak Park and started a long career in consulting; and

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WHEREAS, Peter Clark was the author of eight books and more than 40 papers and served as a contributing editor and columnist for Food Technology magazine; in 2011, he received the Life Achievement Award from the International Association for Engineering and Food; he was also a fellow of the American Institute of Chemical Engineering and the Institute of Food Technology; and

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1 WHEREAS, Peter Clark was the President of the board and a
2 volunteer at the Oak Park-River Forest Food Pantry; he was also
3 an active member of the St. Giles Family Mass Community; he and
4 his wife were longtime benefactors of the WFMT Folkstage
5 program and enthusiastic supporters of the folk music
6 community; they also regularly hosted traveling musicians in
7 their home in Oak Park; and

8 WHEREAS, Peter Clark is survived by his wife, Nancy; his
9 children, Shannon John (Usha Mishra) and Hannah (Peter Meehan);
10 his grandchildren, Hazel, Avi, and Joan; his siblings, Mary
11 Elizabeth Clark S.S.J., Mark, Teresa (John) Trudeau, Louis
12 (Anne), Jimmy Clark (Angela Klaerner), and Victoria Clark
13 (Jeffrey) Kauffman; and his many nephews and nieces; therefore,
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
17 family and friends, mourn the passing of John Peter Clark, III;
18 and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of J. Peter Clark, III as an expression
21 of our sympathy.