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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Joseph 4 Anthony "Joe" Perrino; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 16, Joe Perrino started in the family's restaurant business, the Home Run Inn in Chicago, aptly named after a home run from a nearby baseball game was hit through the tavern's window; after graduating from Lewis University in 1975, he joined fulltime; in 1981, he headed up an expansion project, bringing the restaurant to its current 550-seat capacity; over the years, the Home Run Inn has expanded to nine locations in Chicago and the suburbs, and its frozen pizzas can be found in retail grocery stores throughout 35 states; Home Run Inn pizza is Chicago's number one selling frozen pizza brand; and

WHEREAS, Joe Perrino served as CEO of the Home Run Inn Group and the Home Run Inn Foundation; he was managing partner of Power Play Distributors and Home Run Inn's real estate division; he coordinated Home Run Inn's Family Advisory Board; he was a co-founder and secretary of Burr Ridge Bank and Trust, where he was also ALCO Chairman and Board Credit Committee Member; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Joe Perrino was also a member of numerous 2 charitable and trade organizations, including the Loyola 3 Family Business Advisory Board, where he served as chair of the 4 Loyola Family Business Counsel, the Loyola Board of Regents, 5 and the Lewis University College of Business Board; he served
- 6 as chairman of the Illinois Restaurant Association, chairman of
- 7 the Management Association of Illinois, and president of the
- 8 National Frozen Pizza Institute; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Joe Perrino was recognized by Lewis University in 10 2006 with the Distinguished Alumni Award, and again in 2009 11 with the Adam Smith Award; in 2011, he was honored with the 12 Excellence in Business Award by the Italian American Chamber of 13 Commerce; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Joe Perrino was preceded in death by his parents,
 15 Nicola and Loretta Perrino, and many nieces and nephews; and
 - WHEREAS, Joe Perrino was the beloved husband of Kathleen S. (Westergaard); the loving father of Gina (Sean) Bolger, Nick (Christina) Perrino, and Renee (Paul) Storie; the cherished grandfather of Lexi, Sammie and Seany Bolger, Joey, Mikey, Lily, and Anthony Perrino, and Logan Storie; and the dear brother of Lucretia (Dan) Costello and Marilyn (John) Carlson; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 2 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 3 mourn the passing of Joseph Anthony "Joe" Perrino, and extend
- 4 our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who
- 5 knew and loved him; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 7 presented to the family of Joe Perrino as an expression of our
- 8 deepest sympathy.