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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of James R. "Jim" Sullivan of Peoria, who 4 passed away on May 3, 2024; and

5 WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan was born to Leo and Dorothy
6 (Kerstetter) Sullivan in Peoria on January 29, 1947; he
7 graduated from the Spalding Institute in 1965; he received an
8 associate's degree from St. Bede Junior College and a Bachelor
9 of Science from Bradley University; he married Susan Swanson
10 in 1968; he later married Deborah Gift in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan had several diverse careers during his lifetime, including working at his father's service station, teaching at St. Vincent de Paul in Peoria for one year, and working at Security Savings and Loan for 20 years; he then served as an insurance agent and financial advisor at MassMutual before becoming the executive director of the Community Foundation of Central Illinois; he last worked as the development director for the Salvation Army, Heartland Division; and

WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan volunteered for the United Way,
Bradley University, the American Heart Association, the
Salvation Army, Proctor Hospital, the West Bluff Neighborhood

- 1 Association, and the Heartland Health Clinic; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan recommitted to his faith in 1991; he
- 3 was a member of United Presbyterian Church of Peoria, where he
- 4 served as an elder and on the Church Foundation Board; he also
- 5 met weekly with his Christian Business Men's Connection (CBMC)
- 6 group; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan was preceded in death by his wife,
- 8 Deborah "Debbie" Sullivan; his parents; his sister, Teri
- 9 Sullivan; and his brother, Tom Sullivan; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Jim Sullivan is survived by his children,
- 11 Jennifer Sullivan, Sara (Adam) Drummer, Carrie (Mike) Eakle,
- and Brian Sullivan; his grandchildren, Emily (Doug Johnson)
- 13 Prewitt, Ethan Prewitt, Molly (Kevin) Valleroy, Brady Drummer,
- 14 Rachel Drummer, Gracelynn Eakle, Myah Eakle, and Amiylah
- 15 Eakle; his siblings, Paula Sullivan, Mike Sullivan, Janet
- 16 Frederick, and Judy (Mary Price) Sullivan; and his
- 17 sister-in-law, Nancy Sullivan; therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 20 James R. "Jim" Sullivan and extend our sincere condolences to
- 21 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 22 further

- 1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 2 presented to the family of Jim Sullivan as an expression of our
- 3 deepest sympathy.