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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Jim Paskiewicz of Bolingbrook; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Paskiewicz, lovingly referred to by all who knew him as "Mr. P.", was a 31 year resident of Bolingbrook with his wife, Linda, and his four children, Joshua, Adam, Jonathon, and Susan; he coached T-ball and soccer in the community, park district, and high school programs for 30 years, and he touched the lives of thousands of participants in those programs; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Paskiewicz was a FIFA and Illinois High School Association (IHSA) certified soccer referee for 12 years; he earned his Certified Illinois Assessing Officer designation in 2003 and was a Deputy Assessor in DuPage Township from 2003 to 2004; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Paskiewicz was on staff at Bolingbrook High School from 1987 to 2004; he coached the Bolingbrook Raider high school boys' and girls' soccer programs for 16 years; he taught "pride in the program", instilling in his players value and honor by dressing up on game days; he taught the concept of "respect" to his players, on and off the field; he worked as a special education teacher and became assistant athletic director at the high school as well; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. P was famous for giving anything that breathed a nickname and was legendary for his favorite "Put the ball in the flippin net!" saying; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Paskiewicz was known for his positive attitude, his huge heart, his love for soccer, his love for cooking, and his love for young people; he was devoted to his

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1 family, especially his granddaughter, Annika; he was a personal
2 friend to scores of people; he was giving with his time, his
3 spirit, and his love; he was a father figure with influence and
4 impacted countless students, many of whom are successful
5 doctors, lawyers, business entrepreneurs, public servants, and
6 parents; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 along with all who knew and loved him, we mourn the death of
10 Jim Paskiewicz, and because of the major impact he made in his
11 community and specifically in the lives of so many student
12 athletes, we urge the Valley View School District Board #365U
13 and Mayor Roger Claar to name the outdoor athletic complex
14 housing the soccer and football fields of the new Bolingbrook
15 High School in his honor; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to
17 the Valley View School District Board #365U and Mayor Roger
18 Claar, and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented
19 to the family of Jim Paskiewicz.