

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the Ninety-Third
3 Illinois General Assembly are saddened to learn of the death
4 of J. Michael Monahan, who died of natural causes on March
5 18, 2003 at the age of 16 in Evanston; and

6 WHEREAS, Michael was the oldest son of Kathy and Joseph
7 Monahan of Evanston, and is also survived by a brother,
8 Colin, a freshman at St. Ignatius High School, and two
9 sisters, Leigh and Kate, both students at Pope John XXIII;
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11 WHEREAS, Michael was a member of St. Nicholas Parish,
12 where he was an active member, serving as President of the
13 St. Nicholas Youth Group; and

14 WHEREAS, As a junior at St. Ignatius High School, Michael
15 was a well-rounded student, earning membership in the
16 National Honor Society, First Honor Roll, the freshman and
17 sophomore basketball teams, the rugby team in his junior
18 year, and the Media Broadcasting student group; and

19 WHEREAS, Michael was also a retreat leader at St.
20 Ignatius and a member of the 2000 Students Against the Death
21 Penalty; and

22 WHEREAS, Michael's interests in his community, school and
23 public policy served him well as he pursued his goal to
24 attend college at the University of Illinois, where both his
25 parents attended, and follow in his father's footsteps as a
26 lawyer, and one day seek public office; and

27 WHEREAS, Michael's death is mourned by his family, fellow
28 church parishioners, school mates and all who knew him in his
29 neighborhood as a bright and engaging young man; therefore
30 be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of
3 J. Michael Monahan at such an early age; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this preamble and
5 resolution be presented to the members of his family as a
6 sincere expression of our sorrow for their loss.