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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives learned with sadness of the death of Robert Augusta Avino of Elk Grove Village on November 5, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Avino was born August 15, 1932; he married Anne Marie on September 26, 1953; and

WHEREAS, He served as a military policeman during the Korean War, during which time he served as a personal guard to President Eisenhower; he was initiated into the Chicago Journeyman Plumbers Local 130 U.A. on December 20, 1955; he started as an apprentice in 1955 with Franks Mechanical and went on to serve as general superintendent for 18 years; with his family he was a proud proprietor of Ramm Plumbing Company in Elk Grove Village; and

WHEREAS, He became an officer of the Chicago Journeyman Plumbers Local 130 in the 1970s, where he served on the Examining Board, Finance Committee, Welfare Fund, and Joint Arbitration Board; he was a delegate for the union at many national and state conventions; he became a member of the Plumbing Council of Chicagoland in 1988 and chairman in 1994; and

WHEREAS, He was a member of the Italian War Veterans Organization and the Northwest Builders Association; he enjoyed golf, bridge, and bowling; one of his chief pleasures in life was spending time with his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Robert Avino is felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife, Anne Marie; his children, Robert Jr., Stephen, Mary, and Frank; and his grandchildren; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2           NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3           we mourn the passing of Robert Avino and extend our sincerest  
4           condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6           presented to his family as an expression of our deepest  
7           sympathy.