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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of former
4 Springfield Mayor Ossie Langfelder, who passed away on October
5 21, 2015; and

6 WHEREAS, Ossie Langfelder was a native of Austria; he fled
7 during World War II and came to America in 1940 with his
8 parents, Otto and Ruth Marie, and his sister, Edith Raven; and

9 WHEREAS, Ossie Langfelder served 8 years as Springfield's
10 streets commissioner; he was mayor from 1987 to 1995, the first
11 8 years after Springfield city government changed from the
12 commission form to the mayor-aldermanic form; and

13 WHEREAS, Ossie Langfelder published a book about his life
14 titled "My Incredible Journey", chronicling his early years
15 when his family escaped from Austria during World War II; and

16 WHEREAS, Ossie Langfelder and his wife, Mary "Midge", had
17 13 children together; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
20 mourn the passing of former Springfield Mayor Ossie Langfelder,

1 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and
2 all who knew and loved him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Ossie Langfelder as an expression of
5 our deepest sympathy.