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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Ken Christy, who passed away on March 26, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Christy was born in Chicago on Spetember 18, 1944 and grew up in Bellwood; he was a resident of Aurora for 39 years; he graduated from Proviso West High School and attended Triton College, DePaul University, and the University of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Christy worked as a letter carrier in Aurora for 31 years until his retirement in 2011; prior to becoming a letter carrier, he worked in retail management for a national grocery store chain; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Christy served as president for the local National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 219 in Aurora, a position that he held for 25 years; he continued his work as an advocate for letter carriers as president of the Illinois State Association of Letter Carriers until his passing; and

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WHEREAS, As president of the National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 219 and the Illinois State Association of Letter Carriers, Ken Christy prioritized the letter carriers'

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1 annual food drive "Stamp Out Hunger" and support for the  
2 Muscular Dystrophy Association; he was also known for working  
3 tirelessly in his lobbying efforts on behalf of the union; and

4 WHEREAS, Ken Christy successfully ran for a four-year term  
5 for Aurora Township Clerk in 2013; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2012, Ken Christy was elected to the Illinois  
7 Hall of Fame for Letter Carriers in honor of his work; he was  
8 also awarded the Kane County Democrat Harry S. Truman Award in  
9 2012; and

10 WHEREAS, Ken Christy was a member of Our Lady of Good  
11 Council Catholic Church in Aurora; and

12 WHEREAS, Ken Christy is survived by his wife of 52 years,  
13 Bonnie; his daughters, Kristin (Dion) Hadley, Kathleen (Ken)  
14 Steil, and Karrie (Dave) Campbell; his grandchildren, Sara  
15 Steil, Ken Steil III, Michael Squires, Jennifer Steil, and Ally  
16 Hadley; and his many nieces, nephews, and other relatives;  
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
19 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
20 we, along with his family and friends, mourn the passing of Ken  
21 Christy; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Ken Christy as an expression of our  
3 sympathy.