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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 George Francis Jacob, who passed away on January 11, 2026; and

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WHEREAS, George Jacob was born in Chicago to Walter "Budd" and Margaret Jacob on June 10, 1964; he graduated from Dunlap High School and Northern Illinois University; he married Jeannine Couri in Peoria on August 16, 1997; and

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WHEREAS, George Jacob was president of the Brewers Distributing Company and a member of the board of directors of the Associated Beer Distributors of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, George Jacob was a member of the Peoria City Council and Neighborhood House and co-founder of the Moonlight Basketball League; he was a board member of Mid America Bank and a trustee for the Peoria Sanitary District; he was involved with the Peoria City Chamber of Commerce, Easter Seals, St. Jude, the Steamboat Classic, and Heart of Illinois United Way; he also coached Peoria Area Youth Hockey; and

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WHEREAS, George Jacob was always ready for an adventure, which he passed on to his children; he bicycled from Peoria to the West Coast, throughout New Zealand, Australia and parts of

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1 Europe; he especially loved hunting with his sons in South
2 Dakota and his special date nights with his daughter,
3 Katherine; and

4 WHEREAS, George Jacob received numerous awards, including
5 being inducted into the African American Hall of Fame and the
6 1995 Class of Forty Leaders Under 40; and

7 WHEREAS, George Jacob was preceded in death by his father
8 and his brothers, Walter and Paul Jacob; and

9 WHEREAS, George Jacob is survived by his wife, Jeannine;
10 his children, George, Walter "Jake", Katherine, Thomas, and
11 Bennett; his mother, Margaret Jacob; his sister, Meg Jacob;
12 and many sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, cousins, nieces,
13 nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
15 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we mourn the passing of George Francis Jacob and extend our
17 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
18 and loved him; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of George Jacob as a symbol of our
21 respect and esteem.