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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of James "Zeke" Loughrey, who passed away on December 11, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Zeke Loughrey was born to James and Ramona Loughrey in Chicago on December 16, 1946; he attended St. Killian School, Leo High School, and Lewis University, where he studied English; he served as a combat medic in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War from 1968 to 1969; he married Janet Loughrey on June 11, 1971, and they raised their children, Erin, Jill, and Brendan, in Palos Park; and

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WHEREAS, After his military service, Zeke Loughrey completed his degree and taught English in Chicago, including at Morgan Park High School; his career was diverse and included teaching trading on the Chicago Board Options Exchange and founding Loma Services, Inc., an asbestos-abatement company; even in retirement, he enjoyed driving for Uber; and

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WHEREAS, Zeke Loughrey was deeply committed to his faith and actively involved at Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church, where he organized an annual Thanksgiving food drive and participated in youth service trips to Harlan, Kentucky;

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1 he also coached his son's Little League Baseball team; and

2 WHEREAS, Zeke Loughrey loved participating in marathons,  
3 triathlons, and cross-country skiing races across the globe;  
4 he found peace in nature by canoeing, jogging in the Palos  
5 Forest Preserves, biking in Door County, and running stairs at  
6 Swallow Cliff; he was also known for his culinary skills and  
7 his love for the family's golden retrievers, Henry and Duffy;  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
11 James "Zeke" Loughrey and extend our sincere condolences to  
12 him family, friends, and all who knew and loved his; and be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Zeke Loughrey as an expression of  
16 our deepest sympathy.