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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 Fred Palin of Cuba, who passed away on January 13, 2025; and

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WHEREAS, Fred Palin was born to Frederick T. Palin and Laura Tenant Palin in Cuba on February 6, 1933; after graduating from Cuba schools, he attended Northwestern University and Central State College in Edmond, Oklahoma; following his service in the U.S. Army, he attended Michigan State University; he married Ruth Ann McDonald on August 14, 1953, and she preceded him in death in 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Fred Palin worked with his father to reorganize the Day & Palin grocery stores in Fulton and Mason Counties in the mid-1950s; after purchasing the business from his father, he operated grocery stores in Cuba, Lewistown, Havana, and Farmington for over 40 years; after selling the grocery stores, he created a general merchandise and eBay store that continues to operate; his passion for retailing was his way of making a creative contribution to the community; and

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WHEREAS, Fred Palin was actively involved in the Independent Grocers Association (IGA), the Cuba Christian Church, and the Fulton County Community Concert Association

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1 over the years; he also loved big band and classical music; and

2 WHEREAS, Fred Palin is survived by his children, Philip
3 Jon (Jeannie) and Jana Lea; three grandchildren; his nieces,
4 Amy Sabol and Mary Nelmes; and his niece-in-law, Jan (the late
5 James Joseph) Nelmes; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
8 Fred Palin and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
9 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Fred Palin as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.