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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 Reverend
4 Manuel G. "Manny" Gómez Reza of Carpentersville, who passed
5 away on December 26, 2019; and

6 WHEREAS, Father Gómez Reza was born in Súchil, Durango,
7 México to Manuel Gómez Fernández and Julia Reza Serrato on
8 December 2, 1983; he attended Minor Seminary in Durango, México
9 from 1998 to 2001; he attended Major Seminary in Durango,
10 México from 2001 to 2008, where he received a bachelor's in
11 Philosophy in 2008; he came to the United States in 2010; he
12 attended the St. Paul School of Divinity in St. Paul, Minnesota
13 from 2010 to 2013; and

14 WHEREAS, Father Gómez Reza was ordained to the priesthood
15 by Bishop David J. Malloy at the Cathedral of St. Peter in
16 Rockford on June 22, 2013; he served as a Parochial Vicar at
17 St. Mary in Huntley, St. Rita of Cascia in Aurora, and most
18 recently at St. Monica in Carpentersville; he was also
19 Associate Vocation Director and Assistant Diocesan Master of
20 Ceremonies for the Rockford Diocese; in addition, he served as
21 Spiritual Director for the Hispanic Catholic Cursillo movement
22 for the diocese; and

1 WHEREAS, Father Gómez Reza was remembered by friends as
2 being open, friendly, engaging, and able to relate to people of
3 all ages; he was well loved by his family, his brother priests,
4 and the people he served in his parish assignments; and

5 WHEREAS, Father Gómez Reza is survived by his parents; his
6 sisters, Rosa Guadalupe Gómez Reza, Socorro Gómez Reza, Ana
7 María Gómez Reza, and Angélica María Gómez Reza; his brother,
8 Jesús Javier Gómez Reza; and many relatives in Mexico and in
9 Chicago; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we mourn the passing of Reverend Manuel G. "Manny" Gómez Reza
13 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and
14 all who knew and loved him; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Father Gómez Reza as an expression
17 of our deepest sympathy.