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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Robert John Rolih Ph.D., who passed away 4 on December 20, 2018; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Robert Rolih was born to Louis and Antonia 6 (Benegar) Rolih on June 12, 1928; he graduated from St. Joseph 7 Grade School, Joliet Township High School, Joliet Junior 8 College, and the University of Illinois; he earned his Ph.D. in 9 Organic Chemistry from Iowa State University; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Robert Rolih worked at the Monsanto Corporation 11 and Amoco before establishing Rho Chemical Company and ARRO 12 Laboratory; he also acquired MER and General Surfactants 13 throughout his career; and
 - WHEREAS, Robert Rolih was a lifetime member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Joliet, where he proudly served as a Eucharistic Minister and on many counsels; he was also a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Joliet Lions Club; he greatly enjoyed following the Solar Eclipse and traveling to Mongolia, Australia, Tahiti, Bolivia, Curacao, Hawaii, Turkey, and Goreville; he was an avid fan of the Chicago Blackhawks and followed them for many years; he enjoyed reading and listening

- 1 to classical music; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Robert Rolih was preceded in death by his parents;
- 3 and his siblings, Louis, Tony, John, Joseph, and Frank Rolih,
- 4 Mary Walker, and, in infancy, Josephine Rolih; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Robert Rolih is survived by his beloved wife of 62
- 6 years, Lorraine (Sporar); his children, Catherine Rolih
- 7 (Richard) Weinberg, Joan Rolih, and Mark (Donna) Rolih; his
- 8 grandchildren, Jacob and Aaron Weinberg and Anne and Samuel
- 9 Serdar; and his many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 12 Robert John Rolih Ph.D. and extend our sincere condolences to
- his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Robert Rolih as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.