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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Gus T. Arvanitis of Des Plaines, who 4 passed away on September 11, 2022; and

5 WHEREAS, Gus Arvanitis was born to Theodosios K. and 6 Petroula Arvanitis in Nestani, Greece on May 23, 1937; he 7 emigrated from Greece to the United States in 1954, and he was 8 always grateful for all the opportunities his new homeland 9 offered; and

10 WHEREAS, Gus Arvanitis was a self-taught chef, leading the 11 kitchens of family restaurants for over 40 years; his greatest 12 joy came from cooking for his family and teaching his 13 grandchildren the secret to his Pappou's beef, special chili, 14 Thanksgiving stuffing, and incredible breakfast spreads; and

15 WHEREAS, Gus Arvanitis was constantly pursuing knowledge, whether it was American history or Paul Bocuse cookbooks; he 16 17 had a passion for cars, photography, woodworking, and 18 furniture making; he built furniture for his home and served 19 as his own contractor for most of his home projects; he took pride in the landscaping and gardening of his yard, even 20 21 winning an award from the City of Des Plaines for his 22 landscaping design; and

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1 WHEREAS, Gus Arvanitis was the husband of Vasiliki "Kiki" (Demos) for 60 years; the father of Petroula (Zachary) 2 3 Bazianos, Dena (Steve) Pavlopoulos, Ted (Michelle) Arvanitis, 4 and Trifona "Aki" (Tina) Arvanitis; the grandfather of Sofia, 5 Ariana, Costa, Gus, Ava, Charlie, Dean, Lucas, George, and 6 Ellie; the brother of the late Peter (the late Panagoula) 7 Arvanitis, the late Dena (the late Andreas) Spyropoulos, Mary 8 (Andy) Gallanis, and Fotoula (the late Nick) Argyros; the 9 uncle to several nieces and nephews; and the friend to many; 10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL 12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 13 Gus T. Arvanitis and extend our sincere condolences to his 14 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 17 presented to the family of Gus Arvanitis as an expression of 18 our deepest sympathy.