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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 Senate Republican Staff Member James Louis "Jim" Goldenstein of Springfield, who passed away on December 25, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein was born to Jay and Doris "Charlie" Goldenstein in Kankakee on August 7, 1986; he was raised on his family farm in Gilman; he attended St. John's Lutheran School, Christ Lutheran High School, and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and

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WHEREAS, From an early age, Jim Goldenstein was always destined to go into politics or public service; after college, he moved to Washington, D.C. to work on Capitol Hill before returning to Illinois for a position with the Illinois Senate; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein served as Director of District Operations for the Illinois Senate Republican Caucus; he was a beloved member of "Team Turner"; during his career, he made a significant impact on his colleagues and the senators for whom he worked on staff; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein was a member of the University of

1 Illinois FarmHouse Fraternity, and he was a cherished friend
2 of his fraternity brothers; he loved Fighting Illini sports;
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4 WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein cherished spending time with his
5 family, and he loved nothing more than being "Uncle Jim" to his
6 three nieces; and

7 WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein was known for having several
8 endearing nicknames bestowed by those who knew him; he will be
9 remembered for being graciously welcoming to all, for his
10 quick wit, and for his deep loyalty to his family, friends,
11 work colleagues, and beloved dog, Oscar; he will be greatly
12 missed; and

13 WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein was preceded in death by his
14 maternal grandparents, Kenneth and Delores Meier; his uncle,
15 Jake Peters; and his godfather, Steve Hemp; and

16 WHEREAS, Jim Goldenstein is survived by his parents; his
17 brother, Joel (Jill) Goldenstein; his nieces, Hadlee, Olivia,
18 and Annalise Goldenstein; his paternal grandparents, John and
19 Judy Goldenstein; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins;
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 James Louis "Jim" Goldenstein and extend our sincere
3 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
4 him; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Jim Goldenstein as an expression of
7 our deepest sympathy.