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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 Richard John DuSold of Park Ridge, who passed away on February 8, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Richard DuSold was born to John and Ruth DuSold on March 31, 1938; he grew up in the Rogers Park neighborhood of Chicago and attended Stone Grammar School; he graduated second in his class from Lane Tech High School in 1956, where he was a commander in the ROTC; he financed his own education, starting at Purdue University and then the University of Illinois at Navy Pier before earning his Bachelor of Science from Northwestern University; he married Dorothy in September 1959, and he continued to work in Chicago until they moved to Park Ridge; and

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WHEREAS, Richard DuSold worked at Continental Bank; while working full time, he completed his MBA from Northwestern University and earned an officer position at the bank; during his tenure, he ran the book donation drive to benefit Chicago Public Schools and represented the bank as an active member of the Chicago United Way; and

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WHEREAS, Richard DuSold dedicated his time to the Park Ridge community; he served as a member of the District 64

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1 School Board and helped to form Open Gate, a gifted and  
2 talented program for children in District 64; he volunteered  
3 for the local variety shows at Roosevelt and Jefferson  
4 schools, building props and sets while also working with the  
5 stage crew; he was a member of the Park Ridge Garden Club, and  
6 his garden was showcased on one of the club's garden walks; he  
7 also gave his time to building props and sets for both the  
8 Oakton Ice Arena and Skokie Skatium ice shows for many years,  
9 where he further helped both rinks with skating competitions;  
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11 WHEREAS, Richard DuSold held a number of leadership  
12 positions; he was president of the Friends of the Park Ridge  
13 Library and ran the semiannual book sales for over 30 years; he  
14 was a member of the Park Ridge Heritage Committee and helped to  
15 get two books on Park Ridge published; he served on the board  
16 of the Park Ridge Community Fund for 34 years; he belonged on  
17 the board of the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra, where he also  
18 acted as stage manager; and

19 WHEREAS, Richard DuSold was very proud of his daughter's  
20 accomplishments in school and ice skating, and he always made  
21 it a point to attend all of her activities; and

22 WHEREAS, Richard DuSold was preceded in death by his  
23 parents; and

1           WHEREAS, Richard DuSold is survived by his wife of 63  
2 years, Dorothy; his daughter, Elizabeth; his son-in-law,  
3 Robert O'Connor; his grandchildren, Alex and Pixel  
4 DuSold-O'Connor; his niece, Laurel (Paul Squitteri)  
5 Gorman-Squitteri; his nephews, Brice Gorman and Lee DuSold; a  
6 great-grandniece; and two great-grandnephews; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9 Richard John DuSold and extend our sincere condolences to his  
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
11 further

12           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Richard DuSold as an expression of  
14 our deepest sympathy.