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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 Sean O'Shea, who passed away on January 3, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea was born on September 24, 1976; he graduated from DePaul University and the American University Washington College of Law; he was licensed to practice law in Illinois and the District of Columbia and was admitted to the United States Supreme Court, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, and the Illinois Supreme Court; and

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WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea was a partner at Alexander, Borovicka & O'Shea Government Solutions and president of SPO Strategic Consulting, LLC.; he had more than 15 years of policy, legislative, and legal experience, working with various federal, state, and local government entities, nonprofits, trade associations, universities, corporations, and unions in the transportation and infrastructure areas, as well as complex insurance, environmental, and national security issues; and

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WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea was a notable name in government and

1 lobbying circles in Illinois and Washington, D.C., where he
2 worked for both former President Bill Clinton and, later,
3 former Senator Hillary Clinton; during the Clinton
4 Administration, he worked in the Office of Cabinet Affairs; he
5 was a projects director and a legislative assistant for
6 Senator Clinton; he later worked in Springfield, where he
7 served as deputy chief of staff to Governor Pat Quinn; and

8 WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea represented clients in the private
9 sector before Congress and executive branch agencies on
10 appropriations issues and regulatory matters and assisted
11 clients in navigating Congressional investigations; and

12 WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea served as vice president of Building
13 America's Future; in 2015, he was elected to the board of
14 directors of Building America's Future and the Building
15 America's Future Educational Fund; and

16 WHEREAS, Sean O'Shea was the loving husband of Sebastian
17 Contreras Jr.; the devoted son of Mary and the late Michael
18 "Joe" O'Shea; the cherished brother of Michael, Daniel CPD
19 (Michelle), and Colleen; the beloved uncle of Declan and
20 Delaney; and the dear nephew, cousin, and friend to many;
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 Sean O'Shea and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
3 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Sean O'Shea as an expression of our
6 deepest sympathy.