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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 Jim Vinicky, who passed away on March 5, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky grew up in La Grange and raised his family in La Grange Highlands; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky was an electrical supply salesman whose territory included the City of Chicago and the suburbs; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky was known as a "foodie" before the term existed, and he prided himself on knowing every mom-and-pop eatery worth visiting; he was noted for his ability to provide information on multiple restaurant options in any neighborhood in Chicago or the suburbs to friends and family, and a few of his favorite eateries included Stacy's Cafe in Bellwood, El Faro in Summit, and Great Wall in Western Springs; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky regularly vacationed with his wife in Door County, Wisconsin, where he was a frequent visitor of the supper club scene; he especially enjoyed visiting the Greenwood Supper Club in Fish Creek; and

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1           WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky had many interests; he was an ardent  
2 fan of the Chicago White Sox; he enjoyed reading the Chicago  
3 Sun-Times and bowling, with a high score of 279; he loved  
4 animals, and he once brought home a dog that he found hiding  
5 under his car while he was on the North Side, naming the dog  
6 after his car, Lincoln; and

7           WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky was devoted to his family and  
8 supportive of his children's aspirations; he served as the  
9 family's perennial, and successfully anonymous, Santa Claus on  
10 Christmas Eve; he relished swimming with his children and  
11 grandchildren, despite being a non-swimmer; he was the king of  
12 dad jokes; and

13           WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky will be remembered for his  
14 fun-loving, kind, and altruistic nature; and

15           WHEREAS, Jim Vinicky is survived by his wife, Sue; his  
16 children, Jimmy Vinicky Jr. and Amanda Vinicky; his  
17 daughter-in-law, Blakeley; and his two grandchildren;  
18 therefore, be it

19           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
21 Jim Vinicky and extend our sincere condolences to his family,

1 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

2       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
3 presented to the family of Jim Vinicky as an expression of our  
4 deepest sympathy.