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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the death of Michael Gaeta; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta was born and raised in Cleveland,  
5 Ohio; he joined the U.S. Army after high school and was  
6 stationed in West Germany for two and a half years; he later  
7 obtained an associate degree from Fenn Community College in  
8 Cleveland; and

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10 WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta married Johanna in 1960, and their  
11 family expanded to include four children, six grandchildren,  
and five great-grandchildren; and

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13 WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta retired from a career in food  
14 service; he and his wife owned and operated three  
distributorships for Seattle Sutton's Healthy Eating; and

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16 WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta was elected to the village board  
17 for Hoffman Estates in 2013 and won reelection in 2017 and  
18 2021; as trustee, he served as chairman of the Public Health  
19 and Safety Committee, was co-chair of the Village Green Ad-Hoc  
20 Committee, served as the Hoffman Estates' representative on  
21 the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission, and was a member of  
the village's Commission for Senior Citizens; prior to his

1 time as a trustee, he served on the village's planning and  
2 zoning commission for three years and the zoning board of  
3 appeals for five years; and

4 WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta was an expert pilot and a longtime  
5 member of the Civil Air Patrol; he achieved the rank of  
6 lieutenant colonel and was in charge of search-and-rescue  
7 missions; he owned an airplane and was an instrument-rated  
8 pilot; and

9 WHEREAS, Michael Gaeta loved meeting people and serving  
10 the people of Hoffman Estates; he was always upbeat and  
11 positive; he will be remembered as a great leader and a  
12 wonderful friend; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
15 Michael Gaeta and extend our sincere condolences to his  
16 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Michael Gaeta as an expression of  
20 our deepest sympathy.