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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 legendary Chicago radio personality Lin Brehmer, who passed away on January 22, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Lin Brehmer was born in New York in August 1954 and was raised in Queens; he graduated from Colgate University in Hamilton, New York; he married Sara Farr in 1997; and

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WHEREAS, Lin Brehmer began his radio career at WQBK-FM in Albany, New York, where he became known as "The Reverend of Rock 'n' Roll"; in 1984, he became the music director at WXRT in Chicago, helping to define the station's personality; he was the longtime radio host of Chicago's WXRT-FM 93.1, first going on air as a morning drive host in 1991 before becoming a midday host in 2020; after some time away due to health issues, he returned to the air in November 2022; during his career, he was noted for his song selections as a disc jockey and his artfully written on-air essays, which he called "Lin's Bin"; and

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WHEREAS, Lin Brehmer was a devoted Chicago Cubs fan; he loved music, attending nearly 1,500 rock concerts with his favorite one being a semisecret show by the Rolling Stones at the Double Door in 1997; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lin Brehmer was the voice of Chicago to many; he
2 will be remembered for infusing his on-air work with uncommon
3 humanity and warmth, which was an extension of his personality
4 off-air; and

5 WHEREAS, Lin Brehmer is survived by his wife, Sara, and
6 his son, Wilson; 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 Lin Brehmer and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
10 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Lin Brehmer as an expression of our
13 deepest sympathy.