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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Robert
4 "Bob" "Lenny" Lehnhausen of Peoria, who passed away on March 5,
5 2018; and

6 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen was born to Frank and Florence
7 Lehnhausen on September 11, 1919; he attended the Spalding
8 Institute, where he was senior manager of the athletic
9 department; and

10 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen was drafted into the United
11 States Army in May of 1941; he volunteered for the Aviation
12 Cadet Program and joined the 44th Bomb Group of the 8th Air
13 Force; for the next 27 months, he served as a combat bomber
14 pilot and squadron commander in Europe and North Africa; he was
15 awarded numerous medals and recognitions, including the
16 Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Purple Heart,
17 the Soldier's Medal, a European Theatre of Operations medal
18 with nine campaign stars, and the French Croix de Guerre; he
19 achieved the rank of Lt. Colonel, was discharged in 1946, and
20 served in the Air Force Reserve until 1969; and

21 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen returned to Peoria and helped
22 his father run the family drapery shop; he was elected to the

1 Peoria City Council in 1953 and served as mayor from 1965 to
2 1969; he went on to head the Illinois Housing Authority and the
3 Illinois Department of Local Government Affairs; in 1973, he
4 became an officer at Peoria's First Federal Savings Bank, where
5 he worked until he retired in 1985; and

6 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen turned his attention to the
7 stock market over the last several decades of his life,
8 learning as much as he could, refining his investment
9 strategies, and passing along his knowledge; and

10 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen was an active member of St.
11 Cecilia Parish, and later, St. Jude Parish; in 1995, Peoria
12 Notre Dame High School awarded him with its Distinguished
13 Alumnus of the Year award; and

14 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen was preceded in death by his
15 parents; his brother, Clark Lehnhausen; his infant son, Robert
16 Lehnhausen; his daughter-in-law, Cathy (Shannon) Lehnhausen;
17 and his grandson, Jacob Johnson; and

18 WHEREAS, Robert Lehnhausen is survived by his wife of 72
19 years, Elizabeth (Waugh); his children, Mary Jo Lehnhausen
20 (Arun Pinto), Phillip (Teresa) Lehnhausen, Ann (Jack)
21 Burtelow, Tom Lehnhausen, Kay (Scot) Ironside, Steven (Karen)
22 Lehnhausen, and Dave Lehnhausen; his grandchildren, Navin

1 (Jennifer) Pinto, Kiran Pinto (Cory Morris), Anjali Pinto,
2 Timothy Lehnhausen (Stephanie Haas), Tobin Lehnhausen, Matthew
3 Lehnhausen (Priscilla Varela), Tina (Mike) Miller, Jeff (Abby)
4 Burtelow, Elizabeth (Mike) Bauer, Jim (Mallory) Ironside,
5 Meredith (Mike) Steininger, Michael (Patricia) Lehnhausen, and
6 Stephanie Lehnhausen (Scott Shaw); 16 great-grandchildren; his
7 brother-in-law, Fr. John Waugh; his sisters-in-law, Kathleen
8 (Phil) Harney and Freddie Waugh; and numerous loving nieces and
9 nephews; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 mourn the passing of Robert "Bob" "Lenny" Lehnhausen, and
13 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all
14 who knew and loved him; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Robert Lehnhausen as an expression
17 of our deepest sympathy.