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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 James P."Jim" "Papou" Walsh of Joliet, who passed away on March 22, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, James Walsh was born in Joliet to George and Theresa (Fox) on March 28, 1934; he attended Joliet Township High School, De La Salle Institute in Chicago, and Joliet Junior College; he earned a bachelor's degree in business from Northern Illinois University, and his masters degree in business from the University of Chicago; he was a proud veteran of the United States Army serving his country from 1954 to 1956 before being honorably discharged; and

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WHEREAS, James Walsh was a member of the All Saints Greek Orthodox Church where he was a past President of the Parish Council; he was a member of the AHEPA Society, the American Legion Post 1080, the Old Timers Baseball Association, the Boy Scouts of America, the Grocers Association, and the Supermarket Operations Instructor at College of DuPage; he also was a guest lecturer at Lewis University and an Instructor of Business at Joliet Junior College; he also served on the High School Distributive Education Advisory Council; and

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WHEREAS, James Walsh received numerous awards and

1 accolades during his career, earning the respect and overall
2 regard of his colleagues; he could be firm, but always fair; if
3 challenged, he could respond in a very wise manner and was
4 always on top of things; he was a natural leader, able to bring
5 out the best in people and inspire them; and

6 WHEREAS, James Walsh showed passionate dedication and
7 enthusiasm for his work with his church; he was a fan of the
8 Chicago White Sox; he did a lot of good things for many people,
9 never seeking recognition; he was gifted with integrity and
10 humility, was a great mentor, philanthropist, and friend; and

11 WHEREAS, James Walsh was preceded in death by his parents,
12 George A. and Theresa; his five brothers, Robert, Donald, Leo,
13 John "Jack", and Fr. David Walsh, O'Carm; and his cherished
14 in-laws, George J. and Helen Passas; and

15 WHEREAS, James Walsh is survived by his wife of 57 years,
16 Margie; his sons, George K. (Edith), and James R. Walsh; his
17 grandchildren, Zakkary Warsaw, Zoe, and Abigail Walsh; his
18 sister-in-law, Margo Passas; and many nieces and nephews;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
22 James P. "Jim" "Papou" Walsh, and extend our sincere

1 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
2 him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of James Walsh as an expression of our
5 deepest sympathy.