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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 Rudolph
4 T. Danel, who passed away on May 14, 2019 at the age of 103; and

5 WHEREAS, Rudolph Danel was born in Silesia (now Poland) in
6 1915, the youngest of ten children; as a youngster, he learned
7 to be self-reliant and earned money by running errands for
8 people in his village; he was determined to get an education
9 and attended whenever he could; at the age of 14, he joined the
10 army; and

11 WHEREAS, In the army, Rudolph Danel learned to play musical
12 instruments; he participated in the marching band and became a
13 trumpet player; he did chores for the local school in lieu of
14 tuition and learned to play the viola; and

15 WHEREAS, Rudolph Danel was a survivor of Auschwitz; he was
16 arrested by the Gestapo for stealing information and documents
17 from a German police sergeant; he adapted and played music in
18 the Auschwitz orchestra; after World War II, he was able to
19 obtain college tuition concessions and earned a degree in
20 business-economics from Munich University; and

21 WHEREAS, In 1950, Rudolph Danel emigrated to Chicago; his

1 first jobs were in manufacturing, but later he began his life's
2 career as a social worker; and

3 WHEREAS, Shortly after 1950, Rudolph Danel met Maria Ruth
4 Swincow, who became the love of his life; they married and had
5 three children, Isabella, Elizabeth, and Alexander; they
6 enjoyed going to symphonies and operas and spent summers in
7 Union Pier, Michigan; and

8 WHEREAS, Rudolph Danel was a loyal husband and dedicated
9 father; his family was the focus of his life; his grandchildren
10 brought him great joy, and he was amazed to become a
11 great-grandfather; and

12 WHEREAS, Rudolph Danel is survived by his children,
13 Isabella and Alexander; his three grandchildren, David,
14 Rachael, and Sasza; and his great-grandchildren, Sienna and
15 David Jr.; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we mourn the passing of Rudolph T. Danel and extend our sincere
19 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
20 him; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Rudolph Danel as an expression of
2 our deepest sympathy.