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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 Charles B. "Chuck" "Chief" Henrici of Elk Grove Village, who passed away on March 5, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Charles Henrici was born in Skokie to Nicholas and Viola (Staak) Henrici; and

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WHEREAS, Charles Henrici considered joining the Lutheran ministry before being recruited by his brothers into the family business, the fire service; he began his career with the Skokie Fire Department in 1958; he then followed his brother Jack to Elk Grove Village and joined the Elk Grove Fire Department in 1967; there, he was promoted through all successive ranks and retired as Chief in 1988; after his retirement, he served as Chief of the River Forest Fire Department until 2002; with a 40-year commitment to the fire service, he left a lasting impact on the profession by focusing on fire prevention, supporting the Camp I Am Me for burn survivors, authoring hydrogen gas storage standards, and creating the Fire Science degree program at Harper Community College; and

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WHEREAS, Charles Henrici was a member of the Elk Grove Village Plan Commission for 27 years; he helped shape the community through work on several developments, including the

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1 growth of Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Walmart, and Home
2 Depot and the redevelopment of the former Grove Mall into the
3 Town Center; he was a lifetime member of the Lutheran Church of
4 the Holy Spirit; he supported Wal-Camp in Kingston; in his
5 retirement, he delighted in serving as the honorary Mayor of
6 the Timber Trails cul-de-sac at the Holiday Shores Campground
7 in the Wisconsin Dells; and

8 WHEREAS, Charles Henrici was preceded in death by his
9 parents; and his siblings, Betty Lewandowski, Patricia Gartke,
10 Audrey Villani, Nicholas Henrici, Robert Henrici, Virginia
11 Kowalski, and Ronald Henrici; and

12 WHEREAS, Charles Henrici is survived by his daughters,
13 Susanne Henrici Cooper and Kathy Henrici; his son, Charles
14 Henrici Jr.; his daughter-in-law, Donna (Allison); their
15 daughters, Katie and Kristi; his brother, John "Jack"
16 (Maryileen) Henrici; Anni Henrici and Tony Villani; and his
17 many nieces and nephews; he will be missed by his many friends
18 at Brookdale Senior Living in Hoffman Estates; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
21 Charles B. "Chuck" Chief" Henrici and extend our sincere
22 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
23 him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Charles Henrici as an expression of
3 our deepest sympathy.