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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Paul Donovan Johnson, who passed away 4 on April 17, 2023; and

5 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson was born to Leathean Williams and 6 Paul Johnson in Chicago on May 24, 1975; as a child, he 7 attended Christ Unity Temple and Paul Lutheran Church, where 8 he was a member; he attended Luther High School South and was a 9 member of various sports teams and clubs; he earned his Master 10 Science in Computer Software Engineering from the of University of Minnesota, Morris; and 11

12 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson worked at several corporations 13 before using his skills to serve as a senior software 14 developer at the Hyatt Hotels Corporation, where he worked 15 until his passing; and

16 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson remained updated on modern 17 technology and donated his time to teaching the younger 18 generation, thus developing future technology specialists; and

19 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson enjoyed traveling around the world 20 with family and friends, participating in benefits and 21 programs for social causes, completing construction projects SR0261 -2- LRB103 32231 ECR 61421 r at home, spending time at the casino, and raising his two dogs, Jazzy and Chase; and

3 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson was affectionately known as "Little 4 Paul" by his family and friends; he will be remembered as a 5 treasured friend and confidant; and

6 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson was preceded in death by his mother; 7 his grandparents, Geneva Thomas, Commodore Thomas, Manual 8 Williams Sr., Patsy Lee Williams, and Serena P. Ledbetter; his 9 uncles, Thomas E. Williams, Robert L. Williams, Charlie J. 10 Thomas, Manual J. Williams Jr., and Walter J. Johnson Jr.; and 11 his aunts, Mamie L. Ward, Connie J. Watkins, Pearlie Rand, 12 Mildred Nichols, and Shirley Brown; and

13 WHEREAS, Paul Johnson is survived by his father; his 14 aunts, Marian L. Johnson, Eloise Allen, Catherine Williams, 15 Joyce Johnson, Carol (Albert) Allen, Serena Daniels, and 16 Eurydice Ledbetter; his uncle, Robert Thomas; and a host of 17 cousins, family, and friends; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL 19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 20 Paul Donovan Johnson and extend our sincere condolences to his 21 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it 22 further SR0261 -3- LRB103 32231 ECR 61421 r

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