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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 Richard E. "Rick" Minwegen of Gurnee, who passed away on December 9, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He graduated from Loyola Academy in Wilmette in 1980 and was a graduate of the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana School of Business Administration and Commerce in 1984; and

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WHEREAS, He worked for CUNA Mutual as a certified financial planner, and was a professional scuba diving instructor with 7 specialty certifications; he was an avid outdoorsman and adventurous spirit; his greatest pleasures and motivation were his boys; he loved watching and supporting his children through their spiritual development, studies, and play; his boys enjoy playing football, basketball, soccer, and track; and

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WHEREAS, He was an inspiration to his boys, family, and friends throughout his courageous and long battle with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS, Lou Gehrig's disease); and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents, Peter and Ann Minwegen; and his sister, Marianne; and

1 WHEREAS, Richard Minwegen was the loving and dedicated
2 father of Christopher and Miles; he is survived by his sisters,
3 Jacqueline (John) Hopkins and Patricia (Mark) Aijian; his
4 brothers, Peter, Jr. (Bobbie Stiles) Minwegen, Thomas (Martha)
5 Minwegen, and Andrew (Debbie) Minwegen; and many nieces and
6 nephews; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
9 his family and friends, the passing of Richard Minwegen; and be
10 it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Richard Minwegen as a symbol of our
13 sincere sympathy.