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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 John J. Zabukovec of Waukegan, who passed away on December 25, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, John Zabukovec was born on November 19, 1927, in Waukegan; his parents were John and Mary Zabukovec; and

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WHEREAS, John Zabukovec graduated from Waukegan Township High School in 1945, where he was active in academics and athletics; he was a member of the "W" Club, History Club, and Senior Government; and

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WHEREAS, John Zabukovec was the owner of the 922 Club and the Bel-View Lounge; he later worked for the Clerk of the Circuit Court, before he became a custodian with the Waukegan School District; after he retired from the school district, he worked at the Lake Bluff Golf Course, where he loved to serve coffee and provide advice to the golfers; and

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WHEREAS, John Zabukovec was a member of the All Nations Bowling Tournament, the Moose Club, the AFU, and KSKJ/St. Joseph's Lodge 53; he was a member of Mother of God Church, where he and his wife co-chaired dinner dances for the church; more recently, he was a member of St. Dismas Parish; and

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1 WHEREAS, John Zabukovec's love of sports began in early
2 childhood; he served as the batboy for the Zabukovec All-Stars,
3 his father's baseball team; he also enjoyed bowling, playing
4 basketball, football, and softball, music, dancing, solving
5 crossword puzzles, card tricks, and especially the Chicago
6 Cubs; he was also well known as a Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune
7 expert; and

8 WHEREAS, John Zabukovec was preceded in death by his
9 father, John Zabukovec; his mother, Mary Zabukovec Chamernik;
10 his step-father, John Chamernik; his father-in-law, Joseph
11 Zalaznik; his sisters, Mildred Terchek and Alice Pasiewicz; and
12 his brother-in-laws, Edward Pasiewicz and John Terchek; and

13 WHEREAS, John Zabukovec is survived by his loving wife,
14 Jennie (Zalaznik) Zabukovec; his daughters, Jamie Zabukovec
15 (Larry Thompson), Judy Derra, Janice (Richard) Davis, and Julie
16 Zabukovec (Rob McKay); his grandchildren, Tesia Derra and
17 Meredith and John Tanner Davis; his great-grandchildren,
18 Adelina, Bekim, and Lule (Derra) Alijoski; his sister, Mary Ann
19 (Albert) Gilbert; his brother-in-law, Fred (Marie) Zalaznik;
20 his step-sister, Mary Alice (Edward) Morrissey; his nieces,
21 nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews, Joan (Bill) Marsh,
22 Eddie (Gail) Pasiewicz, Geri Gilbert, Janet (Marty) Anderson,
23 Larry (Debbie), Gerry, and John Zalaznik, Bill (Jeannie) Marsh,

1 Theresa (John) Brouillard, and Michael, Lindy, Eric, Torie, and
2 Alex Pasiewicz; and his many other relatives; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
5 his family and friends, the passing of John J. Zabukovec; and
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of John Zabukovec as an expression of
9 our sympathy.