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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 Philip T. Kalayil, who passed away on March 13, 2017 at the age of 86; and

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WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil always desired to immigrate to the United States; he left Kerala, India in January of 1956 and arrived in Chicago in March of 1956; and

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WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil earned a graduate degree in sociology from Loyola University and began working with Catholic Charities; he joined the City of Chicago's Department of Human Services and served as the Assistant Director of Emergency Services until his retirement in 1992; and

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WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil worked with the Crossroads International Center, organizing activities for international students; he volunteered building institutions in the India American community; in the early 1970s, he was one of the founders of Asian Forum, a pan-Asian organization that looked at strengthening the Asian American coalition of Chicago, where his work led to many of today's Asian American and South Asian American civic organizations; he was also very instrumental in founding the Indo-American Democratic Organization in 1981, which is one of the oldest political organizations in Chicago;

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2 WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil was preceded in death by his  
3 daughter, Lisa; and

4 WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil is survived by his wife of 67  
5 years, Annamma; his children, Tom, Sales, and Ann, along with  
6 their spouses; his son-in-law, Tom; and his grandchildren;  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
10 Philip T. Kalayil, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
11 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Philip Kalayil as an expression of  
15 our deepest sympathy.