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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Judge
4 Manuel Barbosa of Elgin, who passed away on November 25, 2019;
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6 WHEREAS, Judge Barbosa was born in Tamuin, San Luis Potosi,
7 Mexico to Eliseo and Concepcion Barbosa on October 28, 1947; he
8 immigrated with his family to the U.S. as an infant; his family
9 settled in Elgin when he was 10, and he attended St. Procopius
10 College and John Marshall Law School; and

11 WHEREAS, Judge Barbosa had a distinguished career in both
12 private practice and public service; he spent 18 years as
13 chairman of the Illinois Human Rights Commission before being
14 appointed to the federal bench in 1998, becoming the first
15 Hispanic federal judge to serve on the bench of the Northern
16 District of Illinois; as a bankruptcy judge, he oversaw a
17 diverse set of cases, ranging from those involving large
18 companies to those involving individuals; and

19 WHEREAS, Judge Barbosa served on the board of visitors at
20 Northern Illinois University's College of Law and operated a
21 judicial reform training program in Peru; he founded the Club
22 Guadalupano of Elgin to help Latino students find scholarships;

1 he also served on the Metra Board of Directors; and

2 WHEREAS, Judge Barbosa was preceded in death by his parents
3 and his sister, Carmen; and

4 WHEREAS, Judge Barbosa is survived by his wife, Linda
5 Barbosa; his children, Maria Elena, Vincent, and Cristina; and
6 his grandchildren, Adrian, Jonathan, Alysia, Anthony,
7 Gabriella, Simone, Axel, and Stella; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
9 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we mourn the passing of Judge Manuel Barbosa and extend our
11 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
12 and loved him; and be it further

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