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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of former Illinois State Representative John C. "Jack" McGuire, who passed away on January 2, 2020 at the age of 86; and

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WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire was born in Joliet to Emmett and Mildred McGuire on May 12, 1933; he was a parishioner of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Joliet; he graduated from Joliet Catholic High School in 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire attended Joliet Junior College and was inducted into the Football Hall of Fame; he entered the United States Army and was stationed in Germany during the Korean War; he enrolled in Colorado State College after completing his tour and graduated in 1958; and

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WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire was a member of American Legion Post 1080, the Irish-American Society of County Will, and Cantigny Post 367 VFW; he volunteered for Meals On Wheels and Cornerstone, as well as various other community organizations; and

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WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire was elected as a Democratic member to the Illinois House of Representatives; he represented the 86th

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1 District from 1990 to April 2012 and served as Assistant  
2 Majority Leader during the 94th, 95th, and 96th General  
3 Assemblies; he was a former Chairman of the House Aging  
4 Committee and a champion of senior issues; and

5 WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire received the 2012 Larry Walsh  
6 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Will County Democratic  
7 Central Committee; prior to his election to the House of  
8 Representatives, he served as Supervisor in Joliet Township  
9 from 1982 to 1991 and as a Trustee from 1973 to 1982; and

10 WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire was an avid runner and completed the  
11 Chicago Marathon in 1986; he loved golf and taking family trips  
12 with all of his grandchildren to Siesta Key, Florida and South  
13 Haven, Michigan; he also enjoyed attending Joliet Catholic  
14 football games on Friday nights; and

15 WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire was preceded in death by his wife,  
16 Marilyn J. "Mitzi" (Miller); his parents; his son, Thomas L.  
17 McGuire; his brother, Paul McGuire; his sister, Helen La Barre;  
18 and his second wife, Patricia; and

19 WHEREAS, Rep. McGuire is survived by his children, Kathleen  
20 A. (John) Dougherty, Michael E. McGuire, and Julie A. (Thomas)  
21 Sicinski; his grandchildren, Jillian (Sean Whitney), Patrick  
22 and Michael Dougherty, Thomas, Patrick (Liz), Michael (Amy),

1 and Sean McGuire, and Alexander, Stephanie, Emily, and Zachary  
2 Sicinski; his great-grandchildren, Baird, Shae, and Henry  
3 McGuire; one great-grandson due in the spring; his twin  
4 brother, James E. (Judith) McGuire; his sister-in-law, Marilyn  
5 A. McGuire; his brother-in-law, James Miller; his  
6 sisters-in-law, Lois Bernhard and Ruth Ann Campbell; and  
7 several nieces and nephews; 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 former Illinois State Representative  
11 John C. "Jack" McGuire and extend our sincere condolences to  
12 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
13 further

14       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Rep. McGuire as an expression of our  
16 deepest sympathy.