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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 Joseph Henry "Joe" Niemietz of North Chicago, who passed away on November 6, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Niemietz was born in Waukegan to Henry and Olga (Maslowski) Niemietz on December 25, 1947; he graduated from Holy Rosary Grade School, North Chicago Community High School, and the DeVry Institute with a degree in electronic technology; he served with the U.S. Army as a missile control tech during the Vietnam War; he married Susan Killoran on February 14, 1976; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Niemietz worked for Streeter Richardson in Grayslake for 16 years; he retired from Tecnova in Waukegan in 2015 after 27 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Niemietz belonged to the Polish Legion of American Veterans, Casimir Pulaski Post 25 and the International Polka Association; he was a trumpet player with the Polka Lads Orchestra, the Casey Siewierski Orchestra, and many other Polka bands in the area; he had a passion for Polka music; he began playing at a very young age and loved to write and record in his home studio; he loved his family and took pride in taking care of his yard and home; and

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1           WHEREAS, Joe Niemietz was preceded in death by his parents;  
2 his stepmother, Joyce; his brother, William; and his in-laws,  
3 John and Harriet Killoran; and

4           WHEREAS, Joe Niemietz is survived by his wife of 43 years,  
5 Susan; his daughter, Katherine (Craig) Morey; his son, John;  
6 his granddaughters, Brittany and Amanda Morey; his brothers,  
7 Timothy (Cheryl) and Raymond Niemietz; his sister, Darlene  
8 (Peter) Lavris; his brother-in-law, John (Paddi) Killoran; and  
9 numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
12 Joseph Henry "Joe" Niemietz and extend our sincere condolences  
13 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be  
14 it further

15           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the family of Joe Niemietz as an expression of our  
17 deepest sympathy.