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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Ernest Hauser, who passed away on October 4 30, 2019 at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser was a second-generation native of 5 6 Oak Park, born to Esther and Ernest A. Hauser in May 1930; and

7 WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser attended Hatch Elementary School and Oak Park and River Forest High School; he was a member of the ROTC while he attended the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Ernest Hauser followed in his father's shoes and joined the U.S. Army; he completed Ranger School and Company Grade Officers Courses and served during the Korean War as a rifle company commander, training officer, and property officer; he was honorably discharged in 1955 with the rank of first lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser moved back to Oak Park; he married Pauline, had two daughters, and started his career; he was the personnel director for many companies in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser was passionate about judo, which he

- 1 had been practicing since his 20s; he competed both nationally
- and locally, earning his fifth degree black belt in 1992; for
- 3 nearly four decades, he taught judo at the Oak Park YMCA, the
- 4 Lattof YMCA of Metro Chicago, and the Tohkon Judo Academy; he
- 5 was a member of the Chicago Judo Black Belt Association; he
- 6 retired from the sport in 2006; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser moved to Elmwood Park in the
- 8 mid-1990s after his divorce and retirement; he was often seen
- 9 cycling around Oak Park and participating in the Oak Park
- 10 Township Senior Lunch Program; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser enjoyed an active retirement with
- 12 his longtime companion, Pam Schultz; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser was preceded in death by his sister,
- Mary Davidson; her husband, Stirling; and their children, Diana
- 15 and Steven; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Ernest Hauser is survived by his daughters, Karen
- 17 (John Hammetter) and Barb; Pam Schultz; his former wife,
- 18 Pauline; and his great-niece, Susan Anderson; therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 21 Ernest Hauser and extend our sincere condolences to his family,

- 1 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 3 presented to the family of Ernest Hauser as an expression of
- 4 our deepest sympathy.