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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 James
4 "Jim" E. Stack Jr. of Collinsville, who passed away on
5 December 24, 2020; and

6 WHEREAS, Jim Stack was born to James E. Stack Sr. and Wilma
7 Rose (Grob) Stack in Granite City on July 20, 1947; he
8 graduated from Granite City High School in 1965; he served in
9 the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War; as a member of the
10 Construction Battalion, he served 18 months in Da Nang
11 Vietnam; he first served as a member of Naval Intelligence,
12 but mostly worked as a truck master for the Port of Da Nang; he
13 was awarded the Navy Defense Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal
14 with one Bronze Star, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Navy
15 Unit Commendation Ribbon, and three commendations for breaking
16 the record of materials shipped in one day and breaking that
17 record twice more; he married Karen (Griffith) Stack in
18 Edwardsville on November 27, 1985; and

19 WHEREAS, Jim Stack first worked at McDonnell Douglas
20 before joining the service; he then worked as a Rate Setter for
21 the former General Steel Company, and he served as the
22 Assistant Superintendent of Streets in Granite City; he had
23 also owned and operated Stackorp, Inc./St. Louis Lead

1 Recycling and Stack Environmental Consulting; later, he also
2 co-owned and operated REDCO Marine and Stackers Restaurant; he
3 retired in December 2013 from the Illinois Department of
4 Transportation after 11 years of dedicated service as the
5 Urban Planning Unit Chief; and

6 WHEREAS, Jim Stack was involved in his community
7 throughout the years, serving on various boards and
8 volunteering for many organizations; most recently, he was
9 serving on the Collinsville Township Board of Trustees and as
10 a Madison County Deputy Coroner; he had served as Madison
11 County Democratic Party Chairman from June of 2012 until April
12 of 2014; he was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Jesters and a
13 lifetime members of AMVETS Post #204 in Madison; he was a
14 member of the Ainad Shrine in East St. Louis and the
15 Troy/Edwardsville Shrine Club and served on the Shriner's
16 Honorary Guard and the director's staff; he was also a former
17 Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus in Granite City; and

18 WHEREAS, Jim Stack enjoyed boating and fishing; he had
19 many friends and was considered to be the life of the party; he
20 knew how to have fun, cherished his grandchildren, and had an
21 amazing array of accomplishments; and

22 WHEREAS, Jim Stack was preceded in death by his parents
23 and his aunt, Eleanor Buente; and

1 WHEREAS, Jim Stack is survived by his wife of 35 years; his
2 two stepchildren, Paul (Gigi) DeLuca and Laura DeLuca (Joe
3 Pavlovec); his four grandchildren, Nigel DeLuca (Allison
4 Kelly), Killian DeLuca, Aaron Stadts (Emily Otten), and Adam
5 Stadts (Kylee Patterson); his six brothers, Daniel (Dil)
6 Stack, Raymond Stack, Michael (Joann) Stack, Bradley (Patti)
7 Stack, Anthony (Robin) Stack, and Stephen Stack; his two
8 sisters, Kathleen (Dave) Cerny and Anna Marie "Amy" Stack; his
9 sister-in-law, Kaye (Richard) Wilson; and many nieces,
10 nephews, extended family, and friends; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we mourn the passing of James "Jim" E. Stack Jr. and extend our
14 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
15 and loved him; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Jim Stack as an expression of our
18 deepest sympathy.