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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 Joseph
4 C. "Joe" O'Donnell of Macomb, who passed away on March 17,
5 2021; and

6 WHEREAS, Joe O'Donnell was born in Brookhaven, Mississippi
7 to Robert and Alice (Feeney) O'Donnell on December 29, 1951;
8 he grew up in Joliet and graduated from Joliet Catholic High
9 School in 1970 and the University of Notre Dame in 1974; he
10 married Rita J. O'Donnell on November 9, 1974 and later
11 graduated from John Marshall Law School; and

12 WHEREAS, Joe O'Donnell practiced law in Macomb for decades
13 and served as the attorney for the Macomb Park District; and

14 WHEREAS, Joe O'Donnell was a member of St. Paul's Church
15 and the McDonough County Bar Association; he had a wealth of
16 friendships, maintaining many from his childhood and teenage
17 years; he had a calm and thoughtful nature, and his humor was
18 clever and quick; he enjoyed a good hamburger and vintage
19 cars; he was a kind and generous man; and

20 WHEREAS, Joe O'Donnell was preceded in death by his
21 mother, Alice; his brother, John Patrick O'Donnell; his

1 sister, Margaret O'Donnell; and his infant brother, Robert
2 Michael O'Donnell; and

3 WHEREAS, Joe O'Donnell is survived by his wife, Rita; his
4 father, Robert E. O'Donnell; his brother, Jim O'Donnell; his
5 sisters, Anne (Pete) Sticklen and Mary (D.J.) Balzer; and
6 numerous nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we mourn the passing of Joseph C. "Joe" O'Donnell and extend
10 our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who
11 knew and loved him; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Joe O'Donnell as an expression of
14 our deepest sympathy.