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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 James Joseph "Jim" Coryn of Moline, who passed away on June 3, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Coryn was born in Rock Island to J. Ralph and Ann (Rink) Coryn on March 20, 1932; he attended Sacred Heart School and St. Ambrose Academy, where he participated in several sports and earned the prestigious Bechtel Award for scholastic and athletic excellence; he attended Notre Dame University, where he received, with honors, his Bachelor of Science in Finance; he received his law degree (cum laude) in 1956 and passed the Illinois bar; he loved Notre Dame and became an active Badin Guild member; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Coryn entered the U.S. Army in 1956; he served two years in Korea, and while there, he worked under the Judge Advocate and taught business law for the University of Maryland; he was separated from service in 1958 and transferred to the inactive reserves, receiving an honorable discharge in 1962; he married Carol Herrity in May of 1959, and she preceded in death in January of 1996; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Coryn joined the Rock Island law firm of Sinnett, Rink and Coryn; he remained a partner with the

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1 succeeding firms, culminating with the firm of Coryn and
2 Walker; he was a member of both the Illinois and Iowa Bar
3 Associations for over 50 years; he served as president of the
4 Rock Island County Bar Association and taught business law at
5 Moline Community College; he tried jury cases for the State of
6 Illinois Acquisition of Properties for right of way; he also
7 represented property owners in eminent domain proceedings in
8 Rock Island, Whiteside, and Mercer counties; and

9 WHEREAS, Jim Coryn served on the board of directors of
10 Metrobank in East Moline; he held memberships in the Rock
11 Island County Trial Lawyers Association, where he also served
12 as president, the American Jurisprudence Society, the Notre
13 Dame Law Alumni Association, where he also served as a
14 director, and the Quad City Notre Dame Club; and

15 WHEREAS, Jim Coryn married Gloria (Stoudt) Foley in South
16 Bend, Indiana in May of 1999; they enjoyed traveling,
17 including several trips to Europe; and

18 WHEREAS, Jim Coryn was a lifelong member of Sacred Heart
19 Church in Moline; he loved to play golf and was a member of the
20 Short Hills Country Club for over 30 years; he later joined the
21 Rock Island Arsenal Golf Club; and

22 WHEREAS, Jim Coryn was preceded in death by his wife,

1 Carol; his sons, John and Paul; his parents; and his brothers,
2 John "Jack" and Robert Coryn; and

3 WHEREAS, Jim Coryn is survived by his wife, Gloria; his
4 daughters, Joan Vargas and Lucy (Bill) Bice; his
5 grandchildren, Amanda, Adam, and Zachery Coryn and Matthew and
6 Allison Bice; his great-grandchildren, Kurt, Isaac, Alexis,
7 Zander, and Hudson; his stepchildren, Debra (Jeff) Schuett,
8 Lynn Foley Reeh, Michael Foley, and John Foley; his
9 step-grandchildren, Lisa Turner, Jordan Reeh, Kelly Beck,
10 Katie Payne, Eric Foley, and Amy Sadler; his
11 step-great-grandchildren, Rhiannon, Brendan, Natalie, Trevor,
12 Aidan, Cameron, Charlotte, and Claire; his sister, Mary (John)
13 McGee; and several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 James Joseph "Jim" Coryn and extend our sincere condolences to
17 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Jim Coryn as an expression of our
21 deepest sympathy.