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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 Norman H. "Norm" LaConte of Chillicothe, who passed away on April 22, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Norm LaConte was born to Wilmer and Gladys (Stechman) LaConte in Roanoke on February 26, 1941; he was raised in Eureka; he graduated from Bradley University, where he studied accounting; he received his MBA from the University of Illinois; he served in the U.S. Air Force Reserve and the Illinois Air National Guard; he was previously married to Patricia (Finn) LaConte; and

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WHEREAS, Norm LaConte began his career with the firm of Gauger & Diehl in Peoria, where he performed health care auditing and accounting; he then joined Proctor Community Hospital as comptroller in 1965, working to restructure the organization and its financial systems to accommodate the government's new Medicare program; he became president and CEO in 1979, and he served in that capacity until his retirement in 2008; during his tenure, he guided the hospital through various strategic reorganizations, enabling the creation of new entities such as the Proctor Health Care Foundation, Belcrest Services, Ltd., the Proctor First Care units, Proctor Health Systems, and Health Plus; and

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1           WHEREAS, Norm LaConte served on numerous boards, including  
2           the Illinois Hospital Association, the Illinois Provider  
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4           and the Country Club of Peoria; he was a member of the Peoria  
5           Area Economic Development Council and was elected as a fellow  
6           of the American College of Health Care Executives; he was  
7           given Bradley University's Outstanding Accounting Alumnus  
8           Award in 2000; and

9           WHEREAS, Norm LaConte was passionate about aviation, and  
10          he enjoyed owning various planes, maintaining his pilot's  
11          license until his passing; he was also passionate about  
12          classic cars, especially Corvettes, and shared his car hobby  
13          with his daughter; he was an animal lover, growing up with  
14          horses and the family dog; he continued to enjoy having  
15          horses, dogs, and cats at his home and had a special fondness  
16          for Border Collies; and

17          WHEREAS, Norm LaConte is survived by his daughter, Lisa  
18          LaConte (Donald Filkins); his brothers, Jerry LaConte and  
19          Terry (Joan) LaConte; and their families; therefore, be it

20          RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
21          ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
22          Norman H. "Norm" LaConte and extend our sincere condolences to

1 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
2 further

3       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
4 presented to the family of Norm LaConte as an expression of our  
5 deepest sympathy.