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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Thomas "Tom" Charles Becker of Des 4 Plaines, who passed away on May 13, 2022; and

5 WHEREAS, Tom Becker was born to Eugene and Marjorie Becker 6 in Chicago on November 10, 1957; he grew up in the Independence 7 Park neighborhood and was a graduate of Schurz High School; he 8 married Valerie Wellar in Mundelein on September 12, 1986; and

9 WHEREAS, Tom Becker was a licensed realtor and assisted 10 many friends and family in finding their dream homes; he was 11 also employed by Peerless Fence Company; and

12 WHEREAS, Tom Becker was the Des Plaines 6th Ward Alderman 13 from May of 1999 to May of 2007; during his tenure, he brought 14 many traditions to Des Plaines, including the Christmas Tree 15 lighting; and

16 WHEREAS, Tom Becker was very active in the community and 17 was an avid volunteer with many organizations, including 18 Little League, the City of Des Plaines Special Events 19 Commission, and Irish Fest for the Special Olympics; he helped 20 facilitate the ground breaking of Metro Square and bringing 21 the Rivers Casino to Des Plaines; he also worked with many SR1050 -2- LRB102 27688 ECR 39482 r animal rescue organizations; and

2 WHEREAS, Tom Becker's special interests included Koi fish 3 ponds, riding his Harley, and playing cards with his friends; 4 and

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5 WHEREAS, Tom Becker was preceded in death by his parents; 6 his brother, William (Evie); and his numerous pets; and

7 WHEREAS, Tom Becker is survived by his wife, Valerie; his 8 children, Tori, Mark (Renee), and Nicole; his grandchildren, 9 Brookelynn, Charlotte, Autumn, and Gabrielle; his granddogs, 10 Kaylee, Gracie, and Max; his brother, Bob (Laura); and his 11 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL 13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of 14 Thomas "Tom" Charles Becker and extend our sincere condolences 15 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be 16 it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to the family of Tom Becker as an expression of our 19 deepest sympathy.