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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 Henry Llewellyn "Chappie" Chapman Jr., who passed away on August 15, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman, also known as "H.L.", was born to Henry L. Chapman Sr. and Clementine (Coose) Chapman in Pekin on December 9, 1937; he graduated from Pekin High School in 1955, where he served as sports editor for the school newspaper and was a member of the Quill & Scroll Society, an international honorary society for high school journalists; he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Illinois in 1960, where he was a member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, served on the Junior Inter-Fraternity Council, and managed the freshman and varsity baseball teams; he married Janice Lynne Zweifel; and

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WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman began his sales and marketing career with Xerox, IBM, and the 3M Company; for those employers, and in that order, he lived in New York City, Los Angeles, and Chicago; choosing to return home, he was transferred to Peoria by 3M to manage its Indiana, Illinois, and Iowa region; he was promoted to a managerial position in Washington, D.C. in 1976, and that promotion presented a crossroads in his life, the choice of which led to his career

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1 in the Peoria community; and

2 WHEREAS, Leaving the corporate world after 15 years,
3 Chappie Chapman joined the Milwaukee-based investment firm of
4 Loewi & Company in Peoria, qualifying as a licensed financial
5 advisor; he earned the designation of Certified Financial
6 Planner (CFP) in 1981, and he subsequently achieved the
7 standing of Registered Financial Adviser; he was recognized in
8 his profession by election to Research Magazine's Broker Hall
9 of Fame in 2000 and was named the first recipient of the
10 Wachovia Way Award, receiving that award over a competitive
11 field of 11,400 financial advisors; and

12 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman formed the Chapman Investment
13 Group in 2007, fulfilling his dream of working professionally
14 with his sons, Tripp and Carter; he remained with the same firm
15 through seven name changes for 41 years, retiring as senior
16 vice president from Wells Fargo Advisors in 2017; for his
17 distinguished career, he received the Wells Fargo Lifetime
18 Achievement Award upon his retirement; and

19 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was the chief financial analyst
20 of WMBD radio and television stations for 27 years; he gave
21 daily market reports on WMBD radio between 1976 and 2003 and
22 presented a television stock market report on WMBD every
23 Saturday evening from 1980 to 1997; he also taught continuing

1 education classes in investing at Illinois Central College and
2 Bradley University from 1980 to 1998; and

3 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman loved the community of Peoria and
4 served it in many capacities; he was co-chairman of the
5 Mayor's Take Pride in Peoria Commission and served on the
6 Peoria City Beautiful Sculpture Selection Committee; for his
7 service, he was appointed as a commissioner of the Peoria
8 Public Building Commission, where he served as chairman
9 between 1988 and 1990; in the business and finance community,
10 he was on the board of the Security Savings & Loan Association,
11 serving as its chairman from 1987 to 1989; and

12 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was particularly interested in
13 the appreciation and dissemination of the fine arts, both
14 visual and audible; he was on the board of the Peoria Symphony
15 Orchestra, where he served as chairman from 1980 to 1982; he
16 was a member of the Lakeview Museum Arts and Sciences Board,
17 serving as chairman between 1989 and 1991; following
18 construction of the Peoria Riverfront Museum, he served on its
19 foundation board, which led to his appointment by
20 then-Governor Jim Edgar to serve as a trustee on the Illinois
21 Arts Council between 1990 and 2004; and

22 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman additionally served as the first
23 chairman of the newly formed Peoria Zoological Society from

1 1996 to 1999; ever a lifelong fan of the St. Louis Cardinals,
2 he became an investor and co-owner of the Peoria Chiefs when
3 the team became a Cardinals affiliate in 1996; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout his professional life, Chappie
5 Chapman's energies and efforts resulted in numerous
6 unsolicited awards; he was named to the list of Outstanding
7 Young Men in America in 1970; locally, he received the Peoria
8 Area Arts and Science Council's Prescott Bloom Award for
9 meritorious service to the arts and was honored by the Peoria
10 Zoological Society for his significant contributions and
11 leadership roles; and

12 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was a man of dedication and
13 faith; he was a 40-year member of First Federated Church; in
14 addition to attending regular services, he participated in
15 congregational activities, including portraying one of the
16 three wise men at a Christmas church service and regularly
17 appearing in annual Christmas sketches; his dedication to
18 humor and parody found an outlet in those productions, where
19 one year he played Chicken Little in anticipation of Santa
20 Claus; and

21 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was a man of taste and
22 sensibilities; well-read and well-traveled, he and Jan toured
23 the capitals and major cities of the world, where they enjoyed

1 many of the best known museums and galleries; in Illinois, he
2 had season tickets for the Chicago Symphony and the Peoria
3 Symphony, and he was in frequent attendance at the Chicago
4 Lyric Opera; he also loved sports throughout his life, as both
5 a participant and a fan, particularly skiing, golf, and
6 tennis; and

7 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was a dedicated family man and a
8 gentleman with a joy for life; he was known for being
9 compassionate, principled, loyal, disciplined, and goal
10 oriented; as a conversationalist, he could hold his own in any
11 setting, whether discussing politics, the arts, entertainment,
12 or life in general; he will be remembered for his warm smile,
13 his cheerful manner of greeting friends and acquaintances, his
14 sense of humor, and his eternally positive attitude; and

15 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman was preceded in death by his
16 parents; his in-laws, George and Meridith Zweifel; and his
17 brothers-in-law, Robert Powers, Thomas Stanisic, and William
18 Dikeman; and

19 WHEREAS, Chappie Chapman is survived by his wife of 50
20 years, Janice Lynne Zweifel Chapman; his sons, Henry L.
21 "Tripp" (Dina) Chapman III and John Carter (Laura) Chapman;
22 his grandchildren, Alia Chapman, Avery Chapman, John Chapman,
23 Colette Chapman, and Elle Chapman; his sisters-in-law, Carol

1 Dikeman and Joan Stanistic; and his four nieces; therefore, be
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3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
5 Henry Llewellyn "Chappie" Chapman Jr. and extend our sincere
6 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
7 him; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Chappie Chapman as an expression of
10 our deepest sympathy.