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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 Rockford
4 Alderman Theophelo "Tuffy" Quinonez, who passed away on
5 February 27, 2023; and

6 WHEREAS, Tuffy Quinonez was born in Chicago to Tiofilo
7 "Ted" M. and Alberta M. (Martinez) Quinonez on January 31,
8 1947; he moved to Rockford at the age of five and graduated
9 from West High School in 1965 before attending Lincoln Barber
10 College; he served his country honorably in the United States
11 Army; and

12 WHEREAS, As a successful businessman and strong small
13 business advocate, Tuffy Quinonez was a pillar of his
14 community; he was the founder of the Rockford Area Mexican
15 Business Association and a member of the American Legion, the
16 VFW, the Navy Club, Club Patriotico Mexicano (CPM), Lo Vox
17 Latina, the Latin American Community Organization, the 7th
18 Street VFW in Rockford where he served as a Delegate, the
19 Association of Clubs, and the Broadway Business Association;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Tuffy Quinonez sought to uplift those in his
22 community through public service; he served multiple terms as

1 both a Winnebago County Board Member and most recently as an
2 alderman for Rockford's 11th ward; and

3 WHEREAS, Tuffy Quinonez was preceded in death by his
4 mother; his brother, Thomas M. Quinonez; and his
5 sister-in-law, Josephine Carmona; and

6 WHEREAS, Tuffy Quinonez is survived by his daughter,
7 Martine (Johnny) Guerrero; his grandchildren, Dominic and
8 Angelino Guerrero; his siblings, Celena Quinonez and Frank
9 Carmona; and numerous other family members; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we mourn the passing of Rockford Alderman Theophelo "Tuffy"
13 Quinonez and extend our sincerest condolences to his family,
14 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Tuffy Quinonez as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathies.