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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 Kirke Cushing II of Oak Park, who passed away on December 21, 2020 at the age of 78; and

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WHEREAS, Henry Cushing was born in Boston, Massachusetts on May 12, 1942; he served in the U.S. Air Force; he attended the University of Arizona; and

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WHEREAS, Henry Cushing began his career in television at KOLD-TV in Tucson, Arizona; he continued on this professional path whenever he relocated to a new city, which included working at WHDH-TV and WCVP-TV in Boston and sharing his talents with Warner Cable in Columbus, Ohio; and

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WHEREAS, Henry Cushing moved to Chicago in 1979, where he served as manager of Electronic News Gathering at WLS-TV for the next 22 years until his retirement in 2001; and

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WHEREAS, Throughout his career and during retirement, Henry Cushing was an active presence in his community; he relished spending time with the Boy Scouts of America and supporting local charities and churches; and

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WHEREAS, Henry Cushing was well-known for his kindness and

1 generosity, and he carried those attributes into all of his  
2 social interactions; and

3 WHEREAS, Henry Cushing was preceded in death by his  
4 parents, Henry Kirke and Marjorie Estabrook Cushing, and his  
5 brothers, William H., Reed E., and Michael C.; and

6 WHEREAS, At the time of his passing, Henry Cushing was  
7 survived by his wife, Janet Jackson Cushing; his sons, David  
8 (Audra Alessandrone) Jackson and Henry Kirke (Meg Holding)  
9 Cushing III; and his grandchildren, Jackson and Lucy;  
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13 Henry Kirke Cushing II and extend our sincere condolences to  
14 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Henry Cushing as an expression of  
18 our deepest sympathy.