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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 Reverend Daniel Albert "Dan" Smilanic of Chicago, who passed away on February 20, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Smilanic was born to Nicholas and Mary (Crowe) Smilanic in Chicago on July 2, 1947; he graduated from St. Giles Parish School in Oak Park in 1961 and Quigley North Preparatory Seminary High School in Chicago in 1965; he attended Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio for one year before matriculating to Loyola University in Chicago and the University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein; he was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1973; he received his Doctor of Canon Law from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, Italy; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Smilanic served as an associate pastor at several parishes in the Chicago area, including St. Gall Catholic Church and Mary, Seat of Wisdom; after receiving his doctorate, he served as the judicial vicar for the Archdiocese of Chicago for many years; he later served as the judicial vicar for the diocese of Gaylord, Michigan; during this time, he was a longtime resident priest at St. Paul of the Cross in Park Ridge; and

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1 WHEREAS, Rev. Smilanic was preceded in death by his
2 parents; and

3 WHEREAS, Rev. Smilanic is survived by his siblings, John
4 "Jack" (Barbara) Smilanic, Mary Eileen (Joseph) Madda, and
5 Julie (William) Ness, and his nieces and nephews, Mary Jo
6 Madda, Lea Madda, Alex Madda, and Kathryn Ness; therefore, be
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8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
10 Reverend Daniel Albert "Dan" Smilanic and extend our sincere
11 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
12 him; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Rev. Smilanic as an expression of
15 our deepest sympathy.