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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Judge Allen Hartman, a lifelong Chicago resident,  
3 passed away March 3, 2005; and

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WHEREAS, Judge Hartman lived by and loved the law; as an  
5 Illinois Appellate Court judge for nearly three decades, he  
6 dealt with mobsters, double jeopardy, high profile murders, and  
7 a slew of civil matters; one of his cases was the basis for a  
8 "Law & Order" episode; and

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10 WHEREAS, In the courtroom, Judge Hartman was known for his  
11 quick turnaround in writing punctuation-perfect opinions; he  
12 will be remembered as a fine judge, dedicated to law and  
13 conscious of the significance of every decision he was writing;  
14 his questions were incisive, appropriate, and he knew how to  
15 get to the jugular; on the bench he was strictly business, off  
the bench he had a great sense of humor; and

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17 WHEREAS, He was born in Chicago and received his education  
18 from Roosevelt High School and Northwestern University, where  
19 he received his bachelor and law degrees; he was elected to the  
20 Board of Editors of the Northwestern University Law Review; he  
was admitted to the Illinois and Federal Bars in 1959; and

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22 WHEREAS, In the 1960s and early 1970s, Judge Hartman was  
23 first assistant corporation counsel for the City of Chicago and  
24 general counsel to corporation counsel; he authored  
25 legislation that enabled high-rises to tower over air rights of  
26 old railroad tracks and this sparked increased development  
27 north of Grant Park; the city later named a street in this  
neighborhood in honor of him; and

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29 WHEREAS, He was appointed Circuit Court Judge in 1973 and  
30 elected in 1974; Judge Hartman was elected Appellate Court  
Judge in 1978 and retained in 1988 and 1998; he served as

1 chairman of the First District Appellate Court Executive  
2 Committee and the Statewide Illinois Appellate Court; he was an  
3 Adjunct Professor at the Loyola School of Law and was co-author  
4 of the Illinois Lawyers Manual; and

5 WHEREAS, He served in the Army's 71st Division in occupied  
6 Vienna in World War II and was a longtime Chicago White Sox  
7 fan; and

8 WHEREAS, The passing of Judge Allen Hartman is felt by all  
9 who knew and loved him, especially his wife of 40 years,  
10 Rivian; his daughter, Stacie Hartman; and his son, Dr. Adam  
11 Lindsay Hartman; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL  
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
14 Judge Allen Hartman and extend our sincerest condolences to his  
15 family, friends, and community; and be it further

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