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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Lewis Jule Krause, former mayor of Collinsville, on Monday, March 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, He was born on August 25, 1917, in Trenton; he graduated from Collinsville High School in 1935 and was presented the Alumni Achievement Award in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Krause retired from Allied Chemical and the Illinois Department of Transportation; he served three consecutive terms as mayor of Collinsville from 1967 to 1979; in three consecutive elections, he never lost a precinct; and

WHEREAS, As mayor, he oversaw Collinsville's rebirth from a coal mining community to a commercial community; he initiated the appropriation of over \$4,000,000 in federal grants, which helped provide a city-wide sewage system project, the restoration of City Hall, the expansion of the fire station and a new police station; the sewer project changed Collinsville forever; when it began, less than half of the city had sewer service, and by the time he left office, 90 percent of the city had sewers; he also oversaw a permanent street surfacing program; and

WHEREAS, He was a member and past president of St. John United Church of Christ and member and past president of the Collinsville Democratic Club, the Collinsville Masonic Lodge #712, Ainad Shrine, and the American Legion Post #365 of Collinsville; he also had served on many civic and governmental committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his wife, Josephine, nee Diaz, Krause, whom he married on June 28, 1943; his parents, Julius and Margaret, nee Stahl, Krause; his brothers,

1 Orville, Leroy, Vernon, and Norman Krause; and his sisters,  
2 Pearl Pflugbeil, Estella Wrigley, Mildred Sperino Sapp, Olga  
3 Geers, Emylyn Krause, and Ramona Berta; and

4 WHEREAS, The passing of Lewis Jule Krause has been deeply  
5 felt by many, especially his son, Terry (Candace) Krause; his  
6 sisters, Christine Becker and Lenore Parker; his  
7 brother-in-law, Dennis (Peggy) Diaz; his grandchildren, Katie,  
8 Tyler, Sydney, and Bailey; and his numerous nieces and nephews;  
9 he was also preceded in death by his parents, Julius and  
10 Margaret, nee Stahl, Krause; his brothers, Orville, Leroy,  
11 Vernon, and Norman Krause; and his sisters, Pearl Pflugbeil,  
12 Estella Wrigley, Mildred Sperino Sapp, Olga Geers, Emylyn  
13 Krause, and Ramona Berta; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL  
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of  
16 Lewis Jule Krause, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his  
17 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to his family as an expression of our sincere  
21 condolences.