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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, Edward J. Moskal, President of the Polish National 3 Alliance (PNA) and Polish American Congress (PAC), passed away
- 4 on March 22, 2005, at the age of 80; and
- WHEREAS, After graduating from high school, Mr. Moskal
- 6 served in the Army; in 1946, he married Wanda Sadlik; and
- WHEREAS, As Polish immigrants, his parents embraced the
- 8 missions of the PNA and PAC to help Poles in the United States
- 9 and the motherland; for Mr. Moskal, it was a natural
- 10 progression to do the same; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Moskal had served as PNA's president since
- 12 1988; prior to his presidency, he was elected a PNA National
- 13 Director in 1963 and became National Treasurer in 1967, in
- 14 which office he served until his election as President; by
- 15 tradition, the PNA's president also serves as the PAC
- 16 president; and
- 17 WHEREAS, President Lech Walesa awarded him the highest
- 18 civilian honor of the Republic of Poland, the Commander's Cross
- 19 with Star; he was also made an honorary citizen of the city of
- 20 Krakow, Poland; the title of Honorary Doctor was bestowed upon
- 21 him by the University of Poznan Medical School in 1997; and
- 22 WHEREAS, His term as President was marked by many
- 23 innovations and advancements on the part of the PNA; among
- other things, he instituted a complete computerization of the
- 25 Home Office in Chicago, making it a state-of-the-art operation;
- 26 it was also a period in which other smaller Polish American
- 27 fraternal groups merged with the PNA, which had become the
- largest ethnic fraternal organization in the United States; he
- 29 completed the initiation of broadcasting by radio station WPNA
- 30 (1490 AM) in the Chicago area; determined to secure the

- 1 financial independence and growth of the PNA, he expanded the
- 2 interests to the organization to include banking institutions
- 3 under the name of Alliance FSB with branches in Niles and
- 4 Chicago; constantly interested in keeping current with modern
- 5 trends, he led the PNA into the new world of Internet
- 6 communications with the creation of a website and widespread
- 7 e-mail correspondence; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The passing of Edward J. Moskal is felt by all who
- 9 knew and loved him, especially his wife, Wanda (nee Sadlik);
- 10 his daughter, Pamela (Dennis) Komorowski; his brother, Chester
- 11 (Joan) Moskal; his sister, Irene DelGiudice; his
- 12 granddaughters, Joyce (Joseph) Selby, Mary (Dariusz)
- 13 Wieczorkiewicz, and Lisa Komorowski; his great-grandchildren,
- Joseph, Jason, and Jamie Selby, and Ryan Wieczorkiewicz; and
- 15 his numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
- 17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 18 Edward J. Moskal and extend our sincerest condolences to his
- 19 family, friends, and community; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 21 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
- 22 sympathy.