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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Wojciech  
4 Seweryn, who was tragically killed in an airplane crash on  
5 April 10, 2010; and

6           WHEREAS, Wojciech Seweryn was traveling with a Polish  
7 delegation, which included Polish President Lech Kacynski and  
8 other Polish dignitaries, to Russia for the 70th anniversary of  
9 the Katyn massacre, a slaughter of Polish prisoners of war in  
10 the village of Katyn in 1940 that killed thousands of Polish  
11 military officials, including his own father; and

12           WHEREAS, One of Wojciech Seweryn's main passions in life  
13 was increasing awareness of the Katyn massacre and educating  
14 people on the importance of the event; and

15           WHEREAS, Wojciech Seweryn was born on August 31, 1939 in  
16 Poland; he was educated in Poland and immigrated to the United  
17 States in 1976; and

18           WHEREAS, Wojciech Seweryn was a talented sculptor who  
19 created sculptures and displays for local churches; he also  
20 spearheaded the construction of a memorial to the Katyn  
21 massacre at St. Adalbert Cemetery in Niles; and

1           WHEREAS, Wojciech Seweryn is survived by his wife; his 2  
2 daughters; and his 5 grandchildren; therefore, be it

3           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
5 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of  
6 Wojciech Seweryn; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Wojciech Seweryn as an expression of  
9 our sympathy.