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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of retired United States Army Colonel Charles J. Lucas of Grayslake, who passed away on November 6, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on May 21, 1923 in Mt. Carmel to George J. Lucas and Myrtle Marie (Lovell); and

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WHEREAS, He served in the United States Army during World War II and was captured and became a prisoner of war at the Battle of the Bulge; he later received the Purple Heart medal for his service; he retired after serving for 35 years in the Army and Army Reserve with the rank of Colonel; and

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WHEREAS, He began a 41-year career in civil service in 1946 at Fort Sheridan as a Claims Adjudicator in the Separation Center Finance Office; he later moved up to Section Chief and to Post Signal Supply Officer, with later promotions to Deputy Post Signal Officer and Signal Officer; and

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WHEREAS, In 1962, he was selected as the Deputy Director of Maintenance and was later promoted to Director of Maintenance/Installation Maintenance Officer GM-13; he culminated his career as the Executive Director/Chairman GM-14

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1 of the Fort Sheridan Centennial Commission and Centennial U.S.  
2 Constitution (1985-1988); and

3 WHEREAS, He was an athletic coach, musician, band director,  
4 business entrepreneur, a long tenured member of the Grayslake  
5 Village Trustees and Lake County Illinois Planning Commission,  
6 a member of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Charities  
7 Board, American Legion Commander, a member of the Veterans of  
8 Foreign Wars and Lake County Veterans Assistance Commission,  
9 and he was Vice President of the U.S. Military National Reserve  
10 Officers Association; and

11 WHEREAS, Charles J. Lucas Sr. is survived by his wife, Mary  
12 Jane, his children, George J. Lucas II, Marilyn J. Lucas, and  
13 Charles J. Lucas Jr.; his 5 grandchildren; and his 2  
14 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
16 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
17 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of  
18 Charles Lucas; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Charles Lucas as a symbol of our  
21 sincere sympathy.