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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 Dr.  
4 Norris A. Erickson of Aurora, who passed away on August 20,  
5 2012; and

6           WHEREAS, Norris Erickson was born on April 6, 1944, in  
7 Davenport, Iowa; his parents were Alvin and Lila Erickson; and

8           WHEREAS, Norris Erickson served with pride as a member of  
9 the United States Army from 1965 to 1967 as part of the  
10 Military Police in Panama; and

11           WHEREAS, Norris Erickson graduated from Palmer College of  
12 Chiropractic in 1972, following in the footsteps of his father,  
13 mother and aunt; after graduation, he moved to Sandwich,  
14 joining his aunt at her chiropractic office; in 1976, he moved  
15 to Aurora and opened Erickson Chiropractic Center, focusing on  
16 building one of the largest children's practices in Aurora; in  
17 2000, he was one of 33 in the first graduating class at Palmer  
18 College to receive his LCP in the Palmer Legion of Chiropractic  
19 Philosophers; and

20           WHEREAS, Norris Erickson was awarded with a Fellow in the  
21 Palmer Academy of Chiropractic in 2000 for his valued

1 contributions to Palmer College and to the advancement of the  
2 chiropractic profession; in 2001, he was awarded the  
3 Distinguished Fellow from the International Chiropractic  
4 Association in recognition of outstanding contributions to  
5 patients, chiropractic, and humanity; in 2005, he earned his  
6 Diplomate in Philosophical Chiropractic Standard by the  
7 International Chiropractic Association Council of Chiropractic  
8 Philosophy; in 1986 and 1987, he went on 2 chiropractic  
9 missions to Panama, bringing the gift of chiropractic to the  
10 people; and

11 WHEREAS, Norris Erickson had been a long serving Commander  
12 on the Roosevelt Aurora Post 84 American Legion and a past Kane  
13 County Commander of the American Legion and Passe Chef de Gare  
14 of 40 & 8 elite of the American Legion; he was instrumental in  
15 bringing the Moving Wall to Aurora in 1989 and in the renaming  
16 of Veterans Island, and the memorial on it dedicated to all  
17 veterans, past, present, and future; he was a member of the  
18 Masonic Lodge #254 and the Aurora Area Shrine Club and served  
19 as a member on the Aurora Airport Board for 2 decades; he also  
20 sponsored very successful softball teams in the 1980s and was  
21 referred to as the George Steinbrenner of the Fox Valley; and

22 WHEREAS, Norris Erickson is survived by his wife, Sally;  
23 his daughters, Krista Erickson Tetter, Karsta (Bill) Erickson,  
24 and Christine (Tom) Watt; his son, Phillip Baratta; and his

1 grandchildren, Kyra Erickson Tetter, Kelsen Erickson, and  
2 Rocco and Anthony Watt; therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
5 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Dr.  
6 Norris A. Erickson; and be it further

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