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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 former  
4 Chicago radio personality Larry Lujack, who passed away on  
5 December 18, 2013; and

6           WHEREAS, Larry Lujack hit the Chicago airwaves in 1967 and  
7 brought with him a "crusty cantankerousness" that is credited  
8 with influencing present-day radio personalities such as Rush  
9 Limbaugh and Howard Stern; in 2000, he was approvingly called  
10 "a crabby coot dropping PG-rated acid bombs at a snail's pace"  
11 by the Chicago Sun-Times; and

12           WHEREAS, Known as "Uncle Lar" or "Superjock", Larry Lujack,  
13 first at WCFL-AM and later at WLS-AM, spent 20 years spinning  
14 records and spouting opinions; his frequent targets were the  
15 very albums he was playing, the very stations he was working  
16 for, and various rival D.J.s; he achieved notoriety with his  
17 segments "Klunk Letter of the Day", the "Cheap and Trashy  
18 Showbiz Report", and "Animal Stories" television segment,  
19 which was acknowledged by David Letterman as influencing his  
20 "Stupid Pet Tricks" television segment; and

21           WHEREAS, Larry Lujack's honors include membership in the  
22 Illinois Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame and the National

1 Radio Hall of Fame; and

2 WHEREAS, Larry Lujack was born Larry Lee Blankenburg in  
3 1940 in Quasqueton, Iowa; at age 18, he joined KCID-AM in  
4 Caldwell, Idaho and adopted the surname of his idol, Chicago  
5 Bears quarterback Johnny Lujack; after working at various radio  
6 stations Idaho and Washington, he made his way to Chicago; and

7 WHEREAS, Larry Lujack was preceded in death by his son,  
8 John; and

9 WHEREAS, Larry Lujack is survived by his wife, Judith (nee  
10 Seguin); his children, Anthony Lujack and Linda  
11 Lujack-Shirley; his step-son, Taber Seguin; and his 2  
12 grandchildren; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
14 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
15 we mourn the passing of Larry Lujack, and extend our sincere  
16 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
17 him; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Larry Lujack as an expression of our  
20 deepest sympathy.