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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 Gary  
4 Hongsermeier of Irvington, who passed away on May 14, 2016; and

5           WHEREAS, Gary Hongsermeier was born on August 23, 1960 in  
6 Centralia; his parents were Harry and Bernice Westermeyer  
7 Hongsermeier; he farmed in the Hoyleton area for many years and  
8 was a great leader and friend of southwestern Illinois; and

9           WHEREAS, Gary Hongsermeier was a member of Zion United  
10 Church of Christ in Hoyleton, where he served on the church  
11 council and the cemetery committee; he was dedicated to serving  
12 his community and was a proud member of the Irvington Ruritan  
13 Club, where he committed himself to the club's motto of  
14 "Fellowship, Goodwill, and Community Service"; and

15           WHEREAS, Gary Hongsermeier served on the Irvington Village  
16 Board and the Washington County Soil and Water Board; he was a  
17 long time Jaycee and served as the President of the Illinois  
18 Jaycee Senate; he was a staunch supporter and asset to Illinois  
19 State Representative Charlie Meier; he was also active in the  
20 Washington County Republican Party and enjoyed participating  
21 in competitive barbecue events; and

1           WHEREAS, Gary Hongsermeier was preceded in death by his  
2 parents; and

3           WHEREAS, Gary Hongsermeier is survived by his sisters,  
4 Nancy Fechtler, Patty (Terry) Mount, and Judy Hongsermeier; his  
5 nephews, Adam Fechtler and Jeremy Mount and special friend,  
6 Lauren Edwards; his niece, Becky (Tim) Arndt; and seven  
7 great-nieces and great-nephews; therefore, be it

8           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
10 mourn the passing of Gary Hongsermeier and extend our sincere  
11 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
12 him; and be it further

13           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Gary Hongsermeier as an expression  
15 of our deepest sympathy.