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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of George A. Leoni of Melrose Park; and

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WHEREAS, George Leoni was a veteran of the United States
5 Army and a recipient of the Purple Heart; and

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WHEREAS, George Leoni was the Executive Director of the
Veterans Park District for 40 years; he was also Proviso
8 Township's Mental Health Commissioner, a board member of the
9 Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, Chairman of the
10 Italo-American National Union, and on the Board of Directors
11 for the Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center; he also worked with
12 PARC (Proviso Association for Retarded Children), now known as
13 ASPIRE; and

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WHEREAS, George Leoni was a member of the Illinois Park and
Recreation Association, the Disabled American Veterans, the
Veterans of Foreign Wars, the 33rd World War II Infantry
Veteran Division, and the Illinois Fire and Police
Commissioners Association, and was an honorary member of the
Mickinzie-Vertuno Memorial Fraternal Order of Police Lodge
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WHEREAS, George Leoni was a sponsor of the Melrose Park

1 Little League and the Flames Hockey Team; and

2 WHEREAS, George Leoni was the dearly beloved husband of the
3 late Lena (nee Petruzzi); the loving father of Georgia Buvak
4 and Donna Peluso; the cherished Papa of Carlene (Ken) Greifelt,
5 Michalene (James) Tjeerdema, Roberta (Christopher) Heintz, and
6 George (Lauren) and Anthony Peluso; the loving Great Papa of
7 Jona, Jimmy, Jake, Logan, Bowie, Blaise, and Nico; the dear
8 brother of Ora (the late Tex) Simon, Madeline (the late Joe)
9 Belline, the late Richard and Gemma Leoni, the late Vadie
10 Autry, the late William Leoni, the late Velencia, the late
11 Alberta and Donald Provenzano, and the late Anita Leoni; the
12 loving companion of Madeline Pyka; and the fond uncle and
13 friend of many; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 George A. Leoni, and extend our sincere condolences to his
17 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of George Leoni as an expression of our
21 deepest sympathy.