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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Kenneth LeRoy Pritz, R.Ph. of Joliet, who passed away on April 12, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz was the CEO, President, and pharmacist of J.D. Brown & Company - the oldest drug store in the State of Illinois; he and his wife were co-founders of The Peanut Gallery, The Gift Box, and The Jacob Henry Mansion, where he served as President; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz served as a Joliet City Councilman; he also worked with The Bicentennial Park, Downtown Development Committee, the Governor of Illinois' Clean and Beautiful Board, the Joliet Youth Task Force, Habitat for Humanity, the Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce, the JJC Foundation, the Cathedral Area Preservation Association, the Pharmaceutical Association, and the Joliet Kiwanis; he served as an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Joliet and was a member of Wish Upon a Star and the Moran Club; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz received numerous accolades during his life, including the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Business/Retailer/Man of the Year award; the Joliet Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Small Business of the Year Award, 2005;

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1 the Joliet Area Historical Society Mary Barr West Award; the
2 Heritage Corridor Tourism Cultural Heritage Award; the
3 Cathedral area Preservation Association Annual Preservation
4 Award; and numerous other pharmaceutical and civic accolades;
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6 WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz enjoyed traveling and photography;
7 he was an avid fan of U of I, the Chicago Cubs, the Chicago
8 Bears, and loved spending time with his family; and

9 WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz was preceded in death by his
10 parents, Raymond O. and Agnes (Facinelli) Pritz and his father
11 and mother-in-law, Vivian and Raymond Kilgos; and

12 WHEREAS, Kenneth Pritz is survived by his wife of 56 years,
13 Carol S. (nee Kilgos); his 6 children, Susan (Larry) Bornhofen,
14 Jeff (Laura) Pritz, Jill (Dave) Umek, Anne (John) Doll, John
15 (Annette) Pritz, and Jim (Dawn) Pritz; his 21 grandchildren,
16 Elisabeth (Joe) Adler, Sarah (Jeremy) Orr, Amanda (Tommy)
17 Moretti, Anna Bornhofen, Megan (Joe) Felix, Matt and Vivian
18 Pritz, Stephanie, Adam, Maggie, Nick and Abbey Umek, Julie and
19 Jennifer Doll, Shyla, Ally, Connor, and Taytum Pritz, and Alex,
20 Thomas, and Ava Pritz; his 3 great-grandchildren, Joseph Adler,
21 V, Vivian Orr, and Claire Moretti, with one more
22 great-grandchild due in May; his 2 sisters, Shirley
23 (James-deceased) Monday and Joann (Clare "Monk") Moore; and his

1 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Kenneth LeRoy Pritz, R.Ph., and extend our sincere condolences
5 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
6 it further

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