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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 Leonard  
4 Elias Etlinger, Ph.D., who passed away on December 6, 2024;  
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6           WHEREAS, Leonard Etlinger was born on February 29, 1948;  
7 he received his undergraduate degree from Massachusetts  
8 Institute of Technology (MIT) and his Ph.D. from Southern  
9 Illinois University Carbondale; and

10           WHEREAS, Leonard Etlinger spent most of his career working  
11 as a professor at Chicago State University before serving as  
12 Dean of Continuing Education, retiring as a vice president 27  
13 years of later; he then served as Director of Grants and  
14 Contracts at the City Colleges of Chicago; he was also a  
15 published author who frequently contributed to the Chicago  
16 Tribune; and

17           WHEREAS, Leonard Etlinger earned a black belt in judo and  
18 loved playing racquetball and tennis, and he was skilled at  
19 barbecuing turkey; he was interested in gadgets and technology  
20 and was an avid science fiction reader; he enjoyed traveling,  
21 including to England, Greece, Russia, Canada, and all over the  
22 U.S.; and

1           WHEREAS, Leonard Etlinger was known as a generous and  
2 unique soul who had an impact on many lives throughout his  
3 career; he truly valued his family and friendships, and he was  
4 regarded as the best father and husband; and

5           WHEREAS, Leonard Etlinger was the husband of Fannie  
6 (Kachos) Etlinger; the father of Thomas Etlinger and Megan  
7 Etlinger; the brother of Joseph (Susan) Etlinger and the late  
8 Stephen Etlinger; the brother-in-law of George (the late  
9 Janet) Kachos and John Kachos; the uncle of Ari (Amanda)  
10 Etlinger, Benjamin (Stacey) Etlinger, Matthew Etlinger, Sheila  
11 (Joe) Guinta, Stephanie Kachos, Don Carlos, the late Michael  
12 (Mary) Carlos, and Anthony (Marisol) Carlos; and the  
13 great-uncle, cousin, and friend of many; therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
15 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
16 we mourn the passing of Leonard Elias Etlinger, Ph.D. and  
17 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all  
18 who knew and loved him; and be it further

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