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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 739

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**A RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF NBA STAR
KOBE B. BRYANT**

WHEREAS, Kobe Bean Bryant, the 18-time All-Star who won five NBA championships and became one of the greatest basketball players of his generation during a 20-year career all with the Los Angeles Lakers, died in a helicopter crash on January 26, 2020 at the age 41;

WHEREAS, Kobe Bean Bryant was an American professional basketball player and a shooting guard. Bryant entered the National Basketball Association straight from high school and played his entire 20-season professional career in the League with the Los Angeles Lakers. He was the third-leading scorer in NBA history with 33,643 points prior to his retirement;

WHEREAS, Kobe Bean Bryant was born on August 23, 1978 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States to Joe Bryant and Pam Bryant;

WHEREAS, Kobe Bean Bryant is married to Vanessa Laine Bryant and had four (4) children, namely: Gianna Maria-

Onore Bryant, Natalia Diamante Bryant, Bianca Bella Bryant, and Capri Kobe Bryant;

WHEREAS, Kobe Bryant, also known as the “Black Mamba” inspired a generation of basketball players and fans worldwide with sublime skills and an unquenchable competitive fire, and earned Los Angeles’ eternal adoration and was respected by basketball fans from every place including in the Philippines;


WHEREAS, less than four years into his retirement, Bryant was seizing new challenges and working to inspire his daughters’ generation through sports and storytelling;

WHEREAS, after retirement from basketball, Kobe Bryant opened a production company about storytelling and won an Oscar in 2018 for his contributions to “Dear Basketball”, an animated short film about his relationship to the game;

WHEREAS, Kobe Bryant is one of NBA’s most popular players and the face of the Los Angeles Lakers, winning a record four (4) NBA All-Star Game MVP awards, he was the overall league MVP in 2008 and a two-time NBA scoring champion, and also earned 12 selections to the NBA’s All- Defensive teams;

NOW THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED** as it is **hereby RESOLVED** to express profound condolences of the House of Representatives on the untimely demise of NBA legend Kobe Bean Bryant and her daughter Gianna Bryant, to the family and loved ones, and to the millions of basketball fans.

Adopted.


ERIC L. OLIVAREZ