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STATEMENT OF MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ ON THE DEATH OF FIRST HAMPSHIRE REPRESENTATIVE PETER V. KOCOT

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I am deeply saddened by the death of First Hampshire Representative Peter Kocot, who so proudly and ably represented his beloved hometown of Northampton in the legislature for the last 16 years.

Representative Kocot was a man of immense conviction, compassion, and intellect who cared deeply about the people and communities he served and the everyday issues affecting their lives. He was a champion for social and economic justice who worked tirelessly and with great humility to better our city, his district, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

More important than his public service, Pete Kocot was a loving and devoted husband, father, brother, and son who will be forever remembered and missed by all who knew him and had the privilege of calling him a friend.

Yelena and I extend our deepest condolences and love to his wife Shauneen, their sons Jake and Luke, and the entire Kocot family. A sad but grateful city mourns with them at the loss of this great man and leader.