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Statement from Governor Pat Quinn on the Passing of Film Writer, Director and Producer John Hughes

CHICAGO – August 6, 2009. Governor Pat Quinn issued the following statement on the Passing of Film Writer, Director and Producer John Hughes:

“Movie lovers in Illinois and throughout the world are saddened by the untimely death of the beloved film writer, director and producer John Hughes. With such classic films as *Ferris Bueller’s Day Off*, *The Breakfast Club* and *Home Alone*, John Hughes created a humorous, often idealized, but always warm-hearted vision of growing up in the suburbs of Chicago.

“John Hughes’ films helped to launch the careers of a new generation of film actors. But even more important, his movies proudly showcased Midwestern values and showed the world why so many people are proud to call Illinois their home.

“Today, I think many of us are remembering the wisdom that lay at the heart of so many of John Hughes’ movies. As *Ferris Bueller* reminds us, ‘Life moves pretty fast. If you don’t stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it.’ John Hughes had great talent, and he will be greatly missed.”

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