1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of
- 3 the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of
- 4 Hope Reed Beckwith; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Beckwith was born on December 25, 1921 in
- 6 Chicago to George and Carrie Downing; she attended McCosh
- 7 Elementary School and Englewood High School; following her
- 8 graduation, she pursued courses in business at a local
- 9 college; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Beckwith was a member of St. Philip
- 11 Lutheran Church for over 75 years; she was a long-standing
- 12 member of the Altar Guild and Ladies Auxiliary Society and
- was committed to service at her church; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Beckwith retired from the State of Illinois
- 15 when she was 62 years old; she spent her days after
- 16 retirement with her husband, Madison (Mat) Beckwith; they
- 17 enjoyed travelling and visiting friends across the country
- and celebrating good times with family; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Beckwith celebrated her 40th year as a
- 20 member of The Roaming Eight Social Club and will be
- 21 remembered as a faithful and fun-loving card player; she was
- 22 also a member of a Keno club and was a sports enthusiast; and
- 23 WHEREAS, The passing of Mrs. Beckwith has been deeply
- 24 felt by many, especially her husband, Mat Beckwith; her
- 25 sister-in-law, Melvinia; her nieces and nephews, Ernestine,
- 26 Gerald, Jr., Sylvia, Crystal, George, Gilbert, Hope, and
- 27 Gina; her great-nieces and great-nephews, George, Jamila,
- 28 Saidah, Lawrence, Lyonel, Celeste, Tiffany, Leslie, Crysta,
- 29 Sandy, and Adero; her great-great-nieces, Joe, Nefatarri, and
- 30 Trinity; and her many, many friends and relatives; therefore,
- 31 be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 2 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 3 we mourn the passing of Hope Reed Beckwith and extend to her
- 4 friends and family our deepest sympathy; and be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to the family of Hope Reed Beckwith as an
- 7 expression of our sincere condolences.