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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of John Booker Hunter, III, on February 17, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter was born on November 20, 1922, in Kankakee to John and Annie Sophia Hunter; he excelled in education and graduated from high school and Olivet Nazarene University with honors; he married Lou Anna (Cox) on February 6, 1947; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter valiantly served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II; he was decorated for his heroism and actions in the European-African and Middle Eastern Theaters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter had a strong work ethic; he was employed at various locations during his lifetime; he retired from Manteno Mental Health Center after 35 years of service; he was a microbiologist and served in other professional capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter enjoyed serving on the credit union board and served as president of AFSCME Local 1563; he also served as the president of the Franklin School (Millie Proegler) PTA; he was a member of the Caldwell Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, The passing of John Booker Hunter, III, has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife of 57 years, Lou Anna Cox; his sons, Alderman Steven J. Hunter and Andre A. Esq. (Sally) Hunter; his daughter, Jacquelyn M. Smith; his sister, Anna Collins; his brothers-in-law, Rev. Ben E. (Edna) Cox, Clifton Cox, and James Cox; his sisters-in-law, Ada Lee Johnson, Ruby Tate, Lois (Lee) Reid, Mary Cox, and Jacqueline

1 Adkins; his grandchildren, Marjorie (Miki), LaKeisha, Kristen,
2 Kira, Alex, Andre Jr., and Joi; his great-grandchild, Jazlyn;
3 and his many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; therefore,
4 be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 mourn the passing of John Booker Hunter, III, and we extend our
8 sincere condolences to his friends, family, and all who knew
9 and loved him; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Mr. Hunter as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.