



1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois  
3 learned with sadness of the death of Eddie L. Steele of Chicago  
4 on April 28, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Steele was born January 5, 1951, to Eddie Lee  
6 Steele, Sr., and Dora Lee Steele, the oldest of four children;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, He attended John Fisk Elementary School,  
9 Beethoven Middle School, Dusable High School, and Kennedy King  
10 College in Chicago; and

11 WHEREAS, He served in the U.S. Navy from January 16, 1969  
12 to January 15, 1975; he was very proud to have served his  
13 country in the Vietnam War; and

14 WHEREAS, He married Zether Mae Stone (Mae Mae) on February  
15 10, 1973, and they had two children, Katrina L. Steele and  
16 Bianca C. Steele, and were grandparents to one grandchild,  
17 Trevion E. Steele; and

18 WHEREAS, He was employed at Ford Motor Company for 33  
19 years; he was better known at Ford as "Lil Momma" and by  
20 friends and family as "Toochie Doochie"; and

21 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; and

22 WHEREAS, In addition to his loving family, he leaves to  
23 cherish his memory one sister, Eva M. (Steele) Thomas; his  
24 brothers, Everette D. Steele (Goodie), and Larry C. Steele; his  
25 aunt, Carrie (Johnnie) Gray; his uncle, Wadell Steele; his  
26 great-aunts, Clem Johnson (Clarence) Johnson, Lily Williams,  
27 and Margaret (Columbus) Williams; his sisters-in-law; his  
28 mother-in-law, Mae D. Stone; and a host of nieces, nephews,

1 cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that that we mourn the  
4 passing of Eddie L. Steele and extend our sincere condolences  
5 to his family, friends, and community; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest  
8 sympathy.