



1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Roy W. Kenney, Jr., of Belleville, passed away
3 February 21, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Kenney was born May 3, 1922, in East St.
5 Louis, to the union of Roy and Katherine Kenney (nee Fletcher);
6 he was the second of six children; and

7 WHEREAS, He attended Dunbar Elementary School and
8 graduated from Lincoln Senior High School in June 1940; he
9 received his pre-medical training at Southern Illinois
10 University at Carbondale, the University of Illinois at
11 Urbana-Champaign, the University of Vermont at Burlington, and
12 the University of Wisconsin at Madison; he received his medical
13 education from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee
14 and graduated in June of 1947; and

15 WHEREAS, He received post-graduate training in medicine by
16 way of an internship at Homer G. Phillips Hospital in St.
17 Louis, Missouri from 1947 to 1948; he completed his surgical
18 residency in general surgery at Veterans Administration
19 Hospital and John Andrews Hospital in Tuskegee, Alabama,
20 Veterans Administration Hospital and St. Elizabeth's Hospital
21 in Dayton, Ohio, and Children's Hospital and Ohio State
22 University in Columbus, Ohio; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Kenney practiced medicine and surgery for a
24 total of 37 1/2 years in East St. Louis; he was on the medical
25 staff of St. Mary's, Christian Welfare & Community, and
26 Centreville Hospitals; he was past-president of the medical
27 staff at Christian Welfare Hospital; and

28 WHEREAS, He held the office of treasurer of the St. Clair
29 County Medical Society for two years; he was a member of the
30 Illinois State Medical Society, the American Medical

1 Association, the National Medical Association, and the
2 Southern Illinois Medical Association; he was a member of Alpha
3 Phi Alpha Fraternity, Chi Delta Mu Medical Fraternity, NAACP,
4 and the steward board at Pilgrim Temple C.M.E. Church; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Kenney married Dorothy Lucille Anderson on
6 June 14, 1947; they had three children, Cheryl, Deborah, and
7 Roy Wesley, III; and

8 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his wife, his son, and
9 two siblings; and

10 WHEREAS, The passing of Dr. Kenney is felt by all who knew
11 and loved him, especially his daughters, Cheryl McKinney and
12 Deborah Kenney; his granddaughter, Perchell McKinney; his
13 sisters, Dorothy Austin and Katherine Brown; his brother,
14 Howard (Jane) Kenney; his nieces and nephews; his
15 sisters-in-law, Retha Fant, Ora Kenney, Rebia Kenney and
16 Alberta Anderson; his other relatives; and his loving church
17 family and friends; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Dr. Roy Kenney, Jr., and extend our sincerest condolences to
21 his family, friends, and community; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
23 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
24 sympathy.