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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Barbara Johnson; and

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WHEREAS, She was born on September 16, 1934, to Noah and Leeretta Kyles of Kosciusko, Mississippi; she attended Christian Liberty Baptist Church in Kosciusko as a child; she went on to join Truevine Missionary Baptist Church, where she was an active member until illness prevented her from attending regularly; she was especially proud of the scholarship program that she founded for college-bound students; and

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WHEREAS, When she was growing up, she was an avid basketball player; she was a twirling majorette in the school band and held the record of being one of the best majorettes in the history of the school; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnson retired from the Social Security Administration after 20 years of service; her colleagues remember most the way that she greeted her clients with a genuine desire to help them; she always wore a smile and laughter was always present when she met new people; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Barbara Johnson has been deeply felt by many, especially her husband, LeRoy; her daughters, Deborah D. Harper (Ronald) and Patricia A. Turner (Michael); her son, Andre D. Johnson; her grandchildren, Keturah Harper Sline (Jason), Naaman B. Harper, Amiel B. Harper, Michael Turner II, Myron Turner, Mario Turner, and Andre D. Johnson Jr.; her five great-grandchildren; a special son, Steven Dancy; her sisters, Virginia Winters, Beatrice K. Moore (Leo), and Sarah Kyles; her brothers, Walter G. Kyles (Marilyn) and James T. Kyles (Theresa); her sister-in-law, Fronnie Kyles; her brother-in-law, Ralph Woullard; and her many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and extended family; therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Barbara Johnson, and we extend our sincere condolences to her
4 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
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6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to her family as an expression of our deepest
8 sympathy.