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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Annie 4 Laura Spencer Lott of Chicago, who passed away on January 15, 5 2008; and

WHEREAS, On September 1, 1910, Annie Laura Spencer was the second of seven children born to Frank and Annie Spencer in Black Hawk, Mississippi; Annie's educational venture began in Mississippi, leading her to Mississippi Industrial College, a historical African Methodist college where her grandfather, John St. Clair, was one of the college's founders; she became a fully credentialed teacher and developed a close and lasting rapport with many of her students, with one of her students attending her 96th birthday celebration; and

WHEREAS, In 1947, in Chicago she married Stannie Lott; Approximately sixty years ago Annie became a member of Carey Tercentenary A.M.E. Church under the leadership of Pastor S.A. Amos; Annie loved her church and remained a faithful servant actively participating in the roles of stewardess, missionary, deaconess, former President of the Flower Club, former Class Leader, and member of the 120 Club Radio Broadcast Ministry; and

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1 WHEREAS, Annie was active in the community and held
2 memberships in many community and social organizations such as:
3 Block Club President and secretary; Women for Social Change
4 Scholarship Organization; Summer Youth Employment Program
5 Coordinator and Former Treasurer of Lawndale Golden Age Club of
6 Franklin Park, and the American Legion Auxiliary; and she was

the recipient of numerous awards and certificates; and

- 8 WHEREAS, She enjoyed gardening and was a member of the 9 North Lawndale Greening Committee and Steans Family 10 Foundation; she was the recipient of numerous gardening awards 11 and was featured in an article on the North Lawndale African 12 Garden, which was published in the Chicago Sun-Times; the 1.3 Chicago Tribune and the North Lawndale News also printed 14 articles featuring her gardening experiences; 15 extremely passionate about health, education, gardening and 16 beautification; and
- WHEREAS, Annie Laura Spencer Lott was preceded in death by
 her parents, five of her siblings, and her son, Stannie Jr.;
 and
- 20 WHEREAS, The passing of Annie Laura Spencer Lott will be 21 deeply felt by her loving and devoted daughter, Alta Lott-22 Flowers and loyal son-in-law Shelton; her brother, Holsey 23 Spencer (Bertha); her grandchildren, Lanneus Lott, Chevelle

- 1 Lott, and Stania Flowers; her great-grandson, Keante Hopkins;
- 2 her sister, Roberta Rosenthall; her special son, James Lott
- 3 (Alice); her brother-in-law, Jimmie Lott; her sisters-in-law,
- 4 Sadie Alexander and Martha McBride; her seven special
- 5 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; her longtime dear
- friend, Mrs. Safronia Thomas; and her numerous nieces, nephews,
- 7 cousins, and special friends; therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 9 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 10 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of Annie
- 11 Laura Spencer Lott; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Annie Laura Spencer Lott as a symbol
- of our sympathy.