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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Steven James Lyons, who passed away on November 5, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Steven James Lyons was born on July 11, 1986 in Chicago; he was the first child of Serbrena Friend-Lyons and Robert Lyons; and

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WHEREAS, Steven James Lyons attended St. Sabina Academy from preschool until eighth grade, where he graduated as a principal scholar; he went on to attend Leo High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society and graduated with honors; he then attended college at Southern Illinois University; he was pursuing an associate's degree in criminal justice and was on the Dean's List at Richard J. Daley College at the time of his passing; he planned to attend Chicago State University the following spring to obtain his bachelor's degree; and

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WHEREAS, While attending college, Steven James Lyons was employed with United Parcel Services, where he was known as an exemplary employee; and

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WHEREAS, Steven James Lyons was an avid sports fan; he

1 played baseball for the Jackie Robinson West League, football
2 and basketball while attending St. Sabina Academy, and baseball
3 while attending Leo High School; and

4 WHEREAS, Steven James Lyons is survived by his mother,
5 Serbrena; his brother, Andre Loren Lyons; his grandmother,
6 Betty L. Johnson; his many aunts, uncles, and special cousins;
7 Loretta Glover, Laura H. Byrd, George Mangum, Earline Mangum,
8 James Mangum, Clyde and Maggie Mangum, Raylen Opara, Brenda
9 Reese-Ward, John Reese, Renee (Marshall) Byrd-Sullivan, Nia
10 Sullivan, Dorrienne Sullivan, Eddie (Kim) Byrd, Jackson Byrd,
11 Paris Byrd, Otis (Patria) Wise, April, O.J., and Paris Wise,
12 and Carla Thornton; and his very special friends, Aaron
13 Calhoun, Brian and Brandon White, Cornelius Clark, Jamel
14 Blankenship, Charles Rhodes, Sylvester Harrison, Jamel
15 Franklin, and Elliot Norwood, among many others; therefore, be
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17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
19 his family and friends, the passing of Steven James Lyons; and
20 be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of Steven James Lyons as an expression
23 of our sympathy.