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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lafayette Shaw of Danville, who passed away on February 28, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was elected to serve on the Danville City Council in 1993; he served as alderman until 1996; and

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WHEREAS, Prior to his service as an alderman, Lafayette Shaw served as a fixture as a custodian with the City of Danville 34 years until his retirement in 1991; in 1987, he retired from General Motors; he also worked at Crosspoint Human Services; and

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WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was a member of the Carter Metropolitan C.M.E. Church since 1946; he was a member of the church's steward board, serving as the board's chairman for about 40 years; he was president of the board of stewards for the Chicago district; he served as an usher, class leader, and trustee; he also earned an award from the Third Episcopal District for his work with the church in 2006; and

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WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was involved in the planning of renovations to Carver Park in Danville; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was a Golden Gloves boxer in the
2 1940s; and

3 WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was a member of the local chapter
4 of the NAACP, the MLK Celebration Committee, and the Illinois
5 Elks Lodge 147; he was honored with the past grand exalted
6 ruler degree in 1984 and also the Martin Luther King
7 Humanitarian Award; and

8 WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw was named a special deputy sheriff
9 under Sheriff Clyde Tabor and special policeman under two
10 mayors; and

11 WHEREAS, Lafayette Shaw will be remembered by all who knew
12 and loved him as a passionate, confident, humorous, and strong
13 man whose dedication to his family and his community were
14 unmatched; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of
18 Lafayette Shaw; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Lafayette Shaw as an expression of

1 our sympathy.