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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Ethel Lee Lewis, who passed away on April 4 18, 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis was born on March 2, 1925; her 6 parents were Holly Parks and Olivia "Levie" Parks; and

7 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis married the late Roscoe Bunn in 8 1950 in Mississippi; four years after the birth of their first 9 child, the couple moved to Chicago in search of new employment 10 opportunities; and

11 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis married the late Ervin Porter in 12 1956; together, they had one daughter in 1957; the couple was 13 blessed with nine years together as she managed their household 14 while doing domestic work outside the home as well; and

15 WHEREAS, In the mid-1970s, Ethel Lee Lewis married the late
16 Elgin Lewis; the couple remained in Chicago; and

17 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis enjoyed gospel music, shopping for 18 shoes to accessorize her hand-made dresses, studying herbs and 19 natural holistic health care, watching "I Love Lucy", and 20 entertaining dinner guests; and WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis was a member of the Emerald Avenue
 Church of God (later renamed Covenant Faith Church of God) for
 over 20 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis was preceded in death by her 5 husbands; her parents; her sister, Thessalonians; and her 6 brothers, Grady, AB, and Levi; and

7 WHEREAS, Ethel Lee Lewis is survived by her sisters, Elsie, 8 Omega, Elizabeth Myrtle, and Jean; her brothers, Dewayne and 9 Holly, Jr.; her children, Quinton and Leviticus; and her 10 grandchildren, Jermaine, Leviticus II, Edna, and Alana; 11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL 13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 14 her family and friends, the passing of Ethel Lee Lewis; and be 15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 17 presented to the family of Ethel Lee Lewis as an expression of 18 our sympathy.

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