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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 Tarvie Hayes Saunders, who passed away on May 14, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, She was born on May 7, 1914 in Greenville, Mississippi to Charles (Grandpa) and Priscilla Hayes; she attended school in Mississippi; she was baptized Catholic at St. Leo Church; and

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WHEREAS, She was raised by her father and her sister, Lovie Shores, and various aunts; she married Arthur Saunders on July 21, 1933 and they were together for 65 years; and

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WHEREAS, Mother Tarvie Saunders enjoyed playing her harmonica and telling stories of her childhood and life; and

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WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her son, Arthur Saunders Jr.; and

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WHEREAS, Mother Tarvie is survived by her children, Naomi (Cleophus) Sanders, Isabelle (Simon) Conda, Arthurine (Elifast) Basora, Tarvie Ann (Jerome) Roberts, Esther (Tommy) Crawford, Charles (Sharon Renee) Saunders, Priscilla Chambers, and Sara Johnson; her daughter-in-law, Carol Saunders; her

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1 thirty grandchildren; her fifty-eight great-grandchildren; her  
2 thirteen great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces,  
3 nephews, cousins, neighbors, and friends; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
6 her family and friends, the passing of Mother Tarvie Saunders;  
7 and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
9 presented to the family of Tarvie Hayes Saunders as a symbol of  
10 our sincere sympathy.