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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 Marian Dockery of North Chicago, who passed away on April 15, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, She was born on June 4, 1932 to Elizabeth and Aaron Brown in Chicago; Marian was one of nine children born to this union; she grew up on the South side of Chicago and at a very young age she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior; Marian joined First Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church in 1981 under the late Pastor Peter Goudeaux Jr; she was a faithful member for 29 years until her home going under her former Pastor Eugene Roberson; Marian was an active church member and had volunteered her time with the Church's Soup Kitchen ministry; and

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WHEREAS, Marian graduated from Wendell Phillips High School in Chicago in 1950 and shortly thereafter married the love of her life, Alfonso E. Dockery Sr.; she also attended the College of Lake County, where she completed studies in sociology, nutrition, and communications; and

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WHEREAS, Before her retirement in 1987, Marian worked for Baxter Healthcare in Deerfield as an Accounts Payable generalist and retired as the first African-American teller of

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1 the Baxter Credit Union; from 1998 to 2001, Marian was the  
2 Project Success Coordinator for North Chicago School District  
3 187 and worked diligently with the local governing board, local  
4 community leaders, educators, parents, and State social  
5 service agencies in bringing educational and social services  
6 and programs to the children and families within the school  
7 district; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2003 Marian became the Vice-President and  
9 bookkeeper of her daughter's business, Meeting Essentials by  
10 D'esign, and key advisor to the family business as well; Marian  
11 not only loved her immediate family but also extended that love  
12 to her community and friends; Marian enjoyed life, sharing and  
13 giving to others; she loved sowing the wisdom, knowledge, and  
14 love that God gave her into the hearts of everyone she came in  
15 contact with, especially youth; and

16 WHEREAS, Marian was preceded in her home going transition  
17 by her beloved husband, Alfonso E. Dockery Sr.; her parents,  
18 Elizabeth and Aaron Brown; her sisters, Altherea Watson, Bertha  
19 and Elizabeth Brown, and Vera Conner; her brother, Aaron  
20 "Junior" Brown; her great-nephew, Benjamin Miller; her niece,  
21 Dephine Sanders; and her nephews, Darrell and Cornell Sanders  
22 Jr. and Lemuel Henry Chambers; and

23 WHEREAS, Left to cherish her loving memory are her son,

1 Alfonso Eugene Dockery Jr.; her daughters, Cynthia Renee  
2 Dockery and Angela Marie Dockery; her brothers, Edward, James  
3 (Johnnie) Brown, Robert (Trudy) Brown, and Charles Brown; her  
4 very best and dearest friend of over 55 years, Mary Hamilton;  
5 her special God-Grandson, Essex Johns IV; her church family;  
6 and a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and her lovable  
7 110-pound puppy-dog, "Sparkie"; therefore, be it

8       RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
10 her family and friends, the passing of Marian Dockery; and be  
11 it further

12       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Marian Dockery as a symbol of our  
14 sincere sympathy.