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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 Willie Albert Hooker, Jr., who passed away on September 19, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born on October 13, 1948 in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi to Willie Albert Hooker, Sr. and Beatrice Hooker; and

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WHEREAS, He confessed hope in Christ at an early age and united with St. Peter Rock Church; he graduated from Lexington Attendance Center; he was drafted into the United States Army and joined the Army Reserve, serving his country for 13 years; and

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WHEREAS, He attended Saints Community College; he married Olivia, his high school sweetheart, and they enjoyed 40 years together; he worked for Fleetwood Homes, earning multiple certificates for his accomplishments and retiring as a supervisor; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Jessie, Luntie, and Mack Hooker; his sister, Ernestine Greer; his sister-in-law, Margie Hooker; and his brother-in-law, L.C. Patton; and

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1 WHEREAS, Willie Albert Hooker, Jr. is survived by his wife,
2 Olivia; his daughters, Teresa (Reginald), Beatrice (Marvin),
3 and Lucretia (Charles); his son, Willie Albert (Melissa); his
4 sisters, Betsey (Joe) Crockwell, Elizabeth Greer, and Patricia
5 (Robert) Travis; his brothers, Henry (Susie) and Robert Hooker;
6 his sisters-in-law, Vernetta Hooker, Louisville Marcus, Meta
7 Patton, Rosie Levy, and Juanita Patton; his brother-in-law,
8 Clarence Patton; his 9 grandchildren; and a host of nieces,
9 nephews, relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
12 his family and friends, the passing of Willie Albert Hooker,
13 Jr.; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Willie Albert Hooker, Jr. as a
16 symbol of our sincere sympathy.