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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Anthony L. Smith of Springfield, who 4 passed away on November 6, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith was born on August 15, 1967, in 6 Springfield; and

7 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith earned his associate's degree in 8 culinary arts from Joliet Junior College and his bachelor's 9 degree in hotel and restaurant management from Western Illinois 10 University; and

11 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith was employed as a teacher's aide at 12 Matheny-Withrow Elementary School for the past 2 years; he was 13 also employed at Lindsey's Restaurant in the President Abraham 14 Lincoln Hotel for 17 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith was a faithful member of Grace 16 United Methodist Church, where he regularly participated with 17 the young adults to host various fundraisers to give back to 18 the church; he spearheaded the Annual Mostaccioli Dinner and 19 the Senior Dinner, where he enjoyed creating menus and 20 displaying his world famous culinary talents to feed the Grace 21 Church family and friends; he also facilitated the Black SR0448 -2- LRB097 14758 GRL 59782 r History Month activities each February, where he directed weekly themed activities, coordinated guest speakers and generated positive enthusiasm for African American history; he was also a member of Alpha Phi Omega, the National Service Fraternity, and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.; and

6 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith loved to travel, spend time with his 7 family and friends, and cooking; and

8 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith is preceded in death by his father, 9 George Smith Jr.; his mother, Barbara Jean Bell; and his 10 brother, Timmy Bell; and

11 WHEREAS, Anthony Smith is survived by his stepmother, 12 Gladys Mae Smith; his brother, Raynard Smith; his brothers, 13 Tommy (Glendora) Bell, Charles (Kim) Bell, and Perry Johnson; 14 his stepsister, Mary (Fred) Nunn; and his many nieces, nephews, 15 other relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL 17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 18 his family and friends, the passing of Anthony L. Smith; and be 19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 21 presented to the family of Anthony Smith as an expression of SR0448

1 our sympathy.