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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of former 4 Chicago Police Superintendent LeRoy Martin, who passed away on 5 August 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Martin graduated from Richard T. Crane
Technical Preparatory High School; he spent time as a bus
driver before joining the police department; he received his
Bachelor's Degree in Psychology in 1972 from Roosevelt
University and his Master's Degree in Public Administration in
1976; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Martin joined the Chicago Police Department in 1955, starting out as a patrolman in the Burnside district on the South Side; he remained with the Department for 36 years, achieving the rank of Sergeant in 1965 and Lieutenant in 1975; he was appointed Police Superintendent by the late Mayor Harold Washington, becoming the second African-American to serve in that position; he led the Department from 1987 until 1992; he also worked for the Cook County Medical Examiner's Office where he was Chief of Investigations; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Martin enjoyed renovating the apartment buildings he owned in his spare time and going out to eat with

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- 1 his Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity brothers; and
- WHEREAS, LeRoy Martin is survived by his wife, Constance;
- 3 his daughter, Dawn; and his sons, LeRoy Martin, Jr. and Ron
- 4 Martin; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 6 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we mourn the passing of LeRoy Martin, and extend our sincere
- 8 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 9 him; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of LeRoy Martin as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.