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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Tanya Lynette "Tan" Sanford, who passed 4 away on October 12, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Tanya Sanford was born in Centreville to Richard Jr. and Fannie (Tally) Bolden on December 4, 1972; she grew up in East St. Louis and was educated in East St. Louis School District 189; she was baptized at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where she was in the Sunshine Band and a youth usher; she was awarded a 1987-1988 Certificate of Merit from Who's Who Among American High School Students and graduated from Lincoln Senior High in 1990; she married Carlos Sanford on July 20, 1996 and they lived in Belleville, before moving to O'Fallon; she earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1996 and a Master of Language Arts in 1998 from Western Illinois University in Macomb; and

WHEREAS, From 1997 to 1999, Tanya Sanford was employed by the Madison School District; for the last 16 years, she worked in School District 189 at the Vivian D. Adams Early Childhood Center; she also worked part-time for the RehabCare and Kindred Hospital Rehabilitation Services as a speech-language pathologist; and

WHEREAS, Tanya Sanford was a member of Victory Church St.

- 1 Louis in Cahokia; she was a member of Delta Sigma Theta
- 2 Sorority, where she was initiated into the Epsilon XI Chapter
- 3 and was an active member of the East St. Louis chapter; she
- 4 served as secretary for the East St. Louis Chapter of Jack and
- 5 Jill of America, Incorporated; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Tanya Sanford was preceded in death by her
- 7 maternal grandparents, Margaret and Milton Tally Sr., and her
- 8 paternal grandparents, Richard Sr. and Mamie (Clayborne)
- 9 Bolden; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Tanya Sanford is survived by her husband of 20
- 11 years, Carlos Sr.; her sons, Carlos Jr. "CJ" and Tyler; her
- 12 parents; her sister, Francea Bolden; her aunts, Diane (Hollis)
- 13 Bolden Taylor, Pamela Bolden, Margaret Marie Tally, Dolores
- 14 (James) Johnson, and Beverly Tally; her uncles, Milton (Sharon)
- 15 Tally, Roderick Bolden, Arlington (Emily) Tally, Bennie
- 16 (Tamara) Tally, Otis (Tina) Tally, Frederick Tally, and Michael
- 17 (Janet) Tally; her mother-in-law, Bettye Sanford; her
- 18 brothers-in-law, the Rev. Donald (Cheryl) Sanford, Louis
- 19 (Gail) Sanford, and Cedric (Angela) Sanford; her
- 20 sister-in-law, Leyla (David) Harrell; and a host of great
- 21 aunts, great uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear
- 22 friends; therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL

- 1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 2 Tanya Lynette "Tan" Sanford, and extend our sincere condolences
- 3 to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be
- 4 it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to the family of Tanya Sanford as an expression of
- 7 our deepest sympathy.