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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Barbara
4 Noel Caldwell, who passed away on July 28, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell was born in Chicago to Lewis A.H.
6 and Alice Jarrells Caldwell on March 23, 1937; she was a member
7 of St. Edmund's Episcopal Church and graduated from Hyde Park
8 High School; she attended Howard University and then returned
9 to Chicago and earned her Bachelor of Science in Teaching from
10 the Chicago Teachers College (Chicago State University);
11 later, she earned her master's degree in inner city studies
12 from Northeastern University; she married Keith Alonzo
13 Caldwell in Chicago on October 22, 1960; and

14 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell's career in education began at
15 the Alexandre Dumas Elementary School, where she implemented a
16 closed circuit television educational program/studio; she then
17 joined the Walt Disney Magnet School, where she became a pod
18 leader in their open classroom curriculum; and

19 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell served as president of the
20 Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund, managing a \$3.5 billion budget;
21 she was a Diamond Life member of the Delta Sigma Theta
22 Sorority, Inc.; she was also a member of the Lake Shore Chapter

1 of the Chicago Links, Inc., The Mother's Club, the Bronzeville
2 Children's Museum, and the St. Mark United Methodist Church;
3 she was a board member for a number of organizations; and

4 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell was affectionately known as
5 "Bobby Links"; she enjoyed dancing, traveling, horseback
6 riding, dining out, art collecting, decorating her home, and
7 spoiling her family; and

8 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell was preceded in death by her
9 mother, Alice Jarrells Caldwell; her stepmother, Ruth Stimpson
10 Caldwell; her father, Lewis A. H. Caldwell; her sister, Phyllis
11 Yvonne; her husband, Keith A. Caldwell; and her second husband,
12 Richard Ward; and

13 WHEREAS, Barbara Caldwell is survived by her children, Lori
14 Caldwell Valentine (Derryle) and Keith Lewis Caldwell
15 (Sheryl); her grandchildren, Derryle Keith Valentine,
16 Christopher Caldwell Valentine, Kyra Rene Caldwell, Dorian
17 Noel Valentine, and Karson Nicole Caldwell; and numerous
18 relatives, friends, neighbors, sorority sisters, and church
19 and club members; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
21 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
22 mourn the passing of Barbara Noel Caldwell, and extend our

1 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
2 and loved her; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Barbara Caldwell as an expression of
5 our deepest sympathy.