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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lynette 4 Ann Harrell-Flowers of Chicago, who passed away on February 23,

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- WHEREAS, Lynette Harrell-Flowers was born in Chicago to
  Vernon and Eileen Harrell on August 18, 1965; she attended
  Chicago Public Schools and Stagg Grammar School; she graduated
  from Simeon Vocational High School; she married Louis S.
  Flowers on April 23, 1994, and she became the proud stepmother
  to LaTrice, Louis, Sandra, and Delisa; and
- 12 WHEREAS. Lynette Harrell-Flowers worked an 13 administrative assistant for the Cook County 14 Attorney's office in the Child Support Division from July 1985 until her retirement in June 2016; and 15
  - WHEREAS, A breast cancer survivor, Lynette Harrell-Flowers became an advocate, supporting initiatives around breast cancer awareness and research for a cure; she participated in and supported a variety of walks, marches, and fundraisers; through this journey, she formed a lifetime bond with fellow survivors who became affectionately known as "The Butterflies"; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Lynette Harrell-Flowers committed to her faith at
- 2 an early age and became a member of Zion Hill Missionary
- 3 Baptist Church; she became an active member of Salem Baptist
- 4 Church in 1994; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Lynette Harrell-Flowers enjoyed spending time
- 6 with her family, especially her grandchildren, and with her
- 7 dogs, CoCo and Sonny; she also enjoyed gardening, reading,
- 8 traveling, watching movies, and being the first lady of
- 9 Chi-Town Exotic Corvette Club; she will forever be known for
- 10 her beautiful spirit, bright smile, soft-spoken words, and kind
- 11 personality; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Lynette Harrell-Flowers was preceded in death by
- 13 her parents; her sister, Vernona Harrell; her brothers, Kenneth
- 14 Harrell and Vernon Harrell; and her brothers-in-law, Thomas
- 15 Hiner, Willie Flowers, and Dan Coutee; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Lynette Harrell-Flowers is survived by her
- 17 husband, Louis Flowers; her daughters, LaTrice Phillips,
- 18 Sandra (Terrance) Roberts, and Delisa Singleton; her son, Louis
- 19 (Ebony) Jefferies; her granddaughters, Nadja, Skyla, Anya,
- 20 Mia, Nia, Abrianna, Trinity, Ebony, and Terryn; her grandson,
- 21 Jabari; her sister, Valerie Gordon; her brother, David
- 22 (Denitra) Harrell; her mother-in-law, Lula Flowers; her uncle,

- 1 Earnest Chance; her sisters-in-law, State Rep. Mary E. Flowers,
- 2 Shirley Hiner, Betty (Wayne) Phillips, and Kimberly Flowers;
- 3 her brother-in-law, Edward Flowers; her nieces, nephews, and a
- 4 host of relatives; her extended family, Deloris (James) Paige,
- 5 Devin Versher, Cheryl McCallister, Theresa Emmons, Marie
- 6 (Larry), and Theresa; her best friend, Carolyn Drummond; The
- 7 Butterflies; the Corvette Clubs; and her numerous friends;
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 10 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 11 we mourn the passing of Lynette Ann Harrell-Flowers and extend
- our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who
- 13 knew and loved her; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 15 presented to the family of Lynette Harrell-Flowers as an
- expression of our deepest sympathy.