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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 4 Evangelist Mary Ellen "EG" Gwin; and

5 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin was born to Flim and Amy Moore on April
6 18, 1951; she grew up in a home built by her father in Robbins;
7 she was educated in Robbins and Blue Island; she earned
8 bachelor's degrees in Music and in Education from Roosevelt
9 University of Chicago; she married Lloyd E. Gwin on May 22,
10 1974; and

- 11 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin was an adult education teacher in 12 Chicago and Urbana for more than 20 years; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin served as the minister of music, 14 director of ministries, ordained minister, and first lady and 15 co-pastor along with her husband Bishop Gwin at The Church Of 16 The Living God in Champaign for nearly 40 years; she was also 17 the mother of The Church Of The Living God National Assembly 18 Brotherhood; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin was deeply committed to her faith; she 20 loved music, especially Gospel and Christian music, and she 21 loved singing in choirs, directing choirs, playing

- 1 accompaniment on the piano, and composing choral music;
- 2 recently, she enjoyed listening to choirs; she also enjoyed
- 3 shopping and dressing, and she was known for being the best
- 4 dressed person in all situations; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin was a devoted wife as well as a loving
- 6 mother and grandmother; she had a gift for helping others find
- 7 their true purposes; she was filled with love and light and
- 8 influenced many with the power of her faith; she will be
- 9 missed; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mary Gwin was preceded in death by her parents,
- 11 Brother Flim and Sister Amy Moore, and her brother, Flim
- 12 Wesley Moore; and
- WHEREAS, Mary Gwin is survived her husband of 46 years,
- 14 Senior Bishop Lloyd E. "BG" Gwin (BG); her children, Bettye
- Tanya Jordan (Earl), Pancho Moore-Lloyd II, and Christina Poe
- 16 (Darrell); her sisters, Grace Jackson, Lori Colquitt (Pastor
- 17 Lewis), and Leah Taylor (late husband, Todd); her brother,
- 18 Steven Moore; her grandchildren, RaShaunda, Keisha, K'Shawna,
- 19 Aija, Ariauna, Christiana, Christyn, and Christian; her
- 20 nieces, Candace Gwin, Zipporah Gwin, Victoria Taylor, Amie
- 21 Lewis, and Alisa Jefferson (Raymond); her nephews, Clarence
- 22 (Josh) Taylor, Leonard Morris, and Duane Lewis (Laurentia);
- 23 her great-niece, A'Leah Gwin; her friend and caregiver, Angela

- 1 Evans; a host of other relatives, nieces, nephews, cousins,
- 2 and friends; and the family of The Church Of The Living God
- 3 Champaign and the Church Brotherhood; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 5 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 6 we mourn the passing of Evangelist Mary Ellen "EG" Gwin and
- 7 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
- 8 who knew and loved her; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the family of Mary Gwin as an expression of our
- 11 deepest sympathy.