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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Grace "Gracie" Marie Wingfield, who passed away on September 2, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield was born to Joseph Edward Dansby and Annie Marie Dansby in Washington, Pennsylvania on March 21, 1953; her family moved to Chicago in 1965; after the death of her mother, she lived in Washington D.C. with her sister for a time but returned to Chicago to live with her father; she graduated from Dunbar Vocational High School in 1971 and then attended South Suburban Community College; she married her high school sweetheart Clifton Wingfield Sr. on June 24, 1978; and

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WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield first worked for Aetna; she then worked for the Internal Revenue Service and the Veterans Administration before serving as a federal litigation agent for the United States Attorney's Office with the Department of Justice; she retired in 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield attended Hazel Crest Community United Methodist Church where she was a member of the Usher Board; she had committed to her faith at an early age; and

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1 WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield loved Motown music, especially
2 Eddie Kendricks of The Temptations, and organizing family
3 reunions; she was always trying to find the best deals and the
4 best gifts to give; she was a great cook who loved to prepare
5 delicious meals for her family, especially fried green
6 tomatoes; she was interested in politics and was great fun
7 because of her lively personality; most of all, she loved
8 spending time with her family; and

9 WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield was preceded in death by her
10 parents; her beloved husband; her son, Christopher Wingfield;
11 and her five siblings, William Lee, Milton Lee, Cornell Lee,
12 Clarence Lee, and JoAnn Dansby; and

13 WHEREAS, Grace Wingfield is survived by her children,
14 Kendra (Charles), Clifton Jr. (Courtney), Krystal (Stephen),
15 and Kimberly; her four grandchildren, Rashad, Ava, Alanah, and
16 Cali; her three sisters, Armenthia (TJ) Alexander, Willa Mae
17 (Thomas) McMorris, and Jean (Gerald) McCullough; her three
18 brothers, Cecil Lee, Joseph Dansby, and Donald Dansby; her
19 brother-in-law, Arthur (Carlene) Hyrams; her sisters-in-law,
20 Johanna Lee, Darriel Lee, Patricia Lee, and Donna Lee; her
21 host of nieces and nephews; her cousins; and her other
22 relatives and friends; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we mourn the passing of Grace "Gracie" Marie Wingfield and
4 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
5 who knew and loved her; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Grace Wingfield as an expression of
8 our deepest sympathy.