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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Salome Bobbie Matthews Wallace of
4 Richmond Heights, Florida, who passed away on July 16, 2022;
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6 WHEREAS, Salome Wallace was born to Lee Matthews and
7 Corrine Cottle-Matthews in Buenavista, Georgia on September
8 15, 1931; she graduated from George Washington Carver High
9 School in 1951; she married Emery Lee Wallace, and they moved
10 to Richmond Heights in 1952; she attended Nova University and
11 Florida International University, where she earned her
12 master's degree in Social Work and Early Childhood Education;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Early in her career, Salome Wallace served the
15 South Miami community through the Economic Opportunity Program
16 Inc. (E.O.P.I.) neighborhood center that provided food and
17 clothing to low-income families; she later created the Teen
18 Center, where she was able to employ the youth in the community
19 and train them to enter the workforce; she went on to direct
20 Head Start programs across Dade County; she taught and led in
21 Florida City, Homestead, Perrine, Brownsville, Little Haiti,
22 and Opa Locka; and

1 WHEREAS, Salome Wallace was known as a "village mom" in
2 Richmond Heights, serving as a mother to anyone who needed
3 one; she will be remembered for being a pillar and a pioneer of
4 her community for over 70 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Salome Wallce was preceded in death by her
6 parents; her sister; and her oldest daughter, Vanessa Wallace
7 Maultsey; and

8 WHEREAS, Salome Wallace is survived by her sons, Emery Lee
9 Wallace Jr., Keith Dale Wallace, and Mark (Rosie) Johnathan
10 Wallace; her son-in-law, Willie "Turk" Hayward; her surrogate
11 son, Elmo Dotson; her daughter, Ellery Wallace Hayward; her
12 surrogate daughters, Dot Lee and Jackie Wright; her grandsons,
13 Antwan Tremayne Wallace, Emery Lee Wallace III, Bernard
14 (Theresa) Larry Hudson Jr., Mark Johnathan Hudson, Willie
15 (Keisha) George Hayward Jr., and Aja (Kayontae) Kareem
16 Hayward; her granddaughters, Amber (Robert) Lanay Hayward-Carr
17 and Katie Lee Maultsby; her great-grandsons, Bernard Hudson
18 III, Emery Wallace IV, Dariyus Maultsby, Robert Carr III, Siah
19 Hayward, Zane Wallace, Mark Hudson Jr., Julius Telfair Jr.,
20 Akachi Hayward, and Azziah Hudson; her great-granddaughters,
21 Charkyla D., Tahlaya Hudson, Vanessa Hudson, Ni'Kiyah Hudson,
22 Erin Wallace, Briell Robinson, Nala Hayward, Aobrie Carr,
23 Damariah Hudson, and Skylar Hudson; her great-great-grandsons,
24 Jayceon Smith, Dion Hill III, Diondre Hill, and Di'Anthony

1 Hill; her great-great-granddaughter, Journey Smith; and a host
2 of nieces, nephews, cousins, and village children; therefore,
3 be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
6 Salome Bobbie Matthews Wallace and extend our sincere
7 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
8 her; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Salome Wallace as an expression of
11 our deepest sympathy.