



1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of this body were deeply saddened to  
3 learn of the death of Maria "Tonne" Ulmer-Glover of Chicago;  
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5 WHEREAS, Maria "Tonne" Ulmer-Glover was born on April 1,  
6 1949, in Chicago, to the union of David and Mary Atkins; she  
7 accepted Christ at an early age and remained steadfast in her  
8 faith throughout her life; and

9 WHEREAS, She graduated from Harlan High School and attended  
10 the University of Illinois at Champaign; she matriculated from  
11 Roosevelt University receiving a degree in accounting; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1981, she began her service to the citizens of  
13 the State of Illinois by joining the staff of the then newly  
14 created Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR); she served  
15 in the capacity of Chief Accountant; and

16 WHEREAS, Maria performed in an outstanding manner  
17 throughout her tenure with the Illinois Department of Human  
18 Rights, working tirelessly and unselfishly to develop and  
19 maintain the fiscal integrity of the IDHR; through the years,  
20 she distinguished herself in many facets of her work, one of  
21 which was becoming the first African-American female in the  
22 State to be promoted to the lofty position of Chief Fiscal  
23 Officer for a Cabinet-level agency; and

24 WHEREAS, She worked closely and effectively with the  
25 members of the Illinois General Assembly in many areas, but  
26 particularly in its effort to ensure the fiscal integrity of  
27 the State's budget; she developed and piloted the budget of the  
28 Illinois Department of Human Rights through the legislative  
29 process with efficiency, professionalism, and competence; she  
30 earned the respect and admiration of many members of the

1 legislature with whom she worked; and

2 WHEREAS, Maria owned and operated a thriving accounting  
3 firm for over 25 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Maria took time from her busy schedule to join and  
5 actively participate in many community and civic organizations  
6 such as Lake Shore Chapter of Links, Incorporated; she was a  
7 founding member of the Chicago Chapter of Carats, Inc., and  
8 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., just to name a few; and

9 WHEREAS, The passing of Maria "Tonne" Ulmer-Glover will be  
10 deeply felt by many, especially her husband, David Anthony  
11 Glover; her daughter, Roshaun Deniece Ulmer-Windham (John);  
12 her granddaughter, Ayari Antonne Windham; her parents, David  
13 and Mary Atkins; her brother, David B. Atkins, Jr.  
14 (Jacqueline); her mother-in-law, Shirley Cole; and a number of  
15 other relatives and friends; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
17 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
18 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we mourn the death of Maria  
19 "Tonne" Ulmer-Glover along with all who knew and loved her and  
20 extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends; and  
21 be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
23 presented to the family of Maria "Tonne" Ulmer-Glover as an  
24 expression of our deepest sympathy.