



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the  
3 State of Illinois were deeply saddened to learn of the death of  
4 Elizabeth Clay of Chicago on October 22, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, She was born July 19, 1928 to Clem and Everlina  
6 Wright in Shaw, Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, She attended Antioch Church School, where she  
8 received her formal education; she married Amos Clay on  
9 December 25, 1942, and to this union, sixteen children were  
10 born; the family moved to Chicago on December 26, 1969; and

11 WHEREAS, She was employed at the Sheridan Hotel as a  
12 housekeeper, and she was also employed with the Board of  
13 Registration; she was the President of the Senior Citizen Group  
14 in the 37th Ward; and

15 WHEREAS, She was a member of the Landmark Missionary  
16 Baptist Church and worked faithfully on the Mother's Board; and

17 WHEREAS, Elizabeth was a cheerful, loving person, and  
18 mother to many and loved by most; and

19 WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by three of her  
20 children; her husband; her sisters, Ada Sheperd and Lena Mae  
21 Hudson; and her brothers, Johnny, Columbus, Jeff, and Lawyer  
22 Wright; and

23 WHEREAS, The passing of Elizabeth Clay will be felt by all  
24 who knew and loved her, especially her children, Joseph Jones,  
25 Willie (Shirley) Clay, Juarez Clay, Romether Clay, Mary Clay,  
26 Sandra D. Clay, Joyce Carrasquillo, Gloria Jean Clay, Marie  
27 Clay, Lucille Brown, Rosetta Clay, Everlina Adams, Louis Clay  
28 and Amos Clay; her two sisters, Alberta Ingram and Mary Bell

1 Davis; her 140 grandchildren; her 145 great-grandchildren; her  
2 five great-great-grandchildren; her three great-great-great  
3 grandchildren; and a host of in-laws, other relatives and  
4 friends; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
7 mourn the passing of Elizabeth Clay and extend our sincerest  
8 condolences to her family, friends, and community; and be it  
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Elizabeth Clay as an expression of  
12 our deepest sympathy.