

## 1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of  
3 Illinois were shocked and deeply saddened to learn of the  
4 tragic deaths of 21 people in a stampede at a Chicago  
5 nightclub on Monday, February 17, 2003; and

6 WHEREAS, Nicole Rainey, Teresa Johnson-Gordon, Danielle  
7 Greene, and Charita Rhodes were residents of Senate District  
8 4 and were victims of this tragedy; and

9 WHEREAS, Nicole Rainey of Bollingbrook and Chicago was 25  
10 years old; she had attended Austin High School and was the  
11 mother of 5 children, the youngest of whom is three weeks  
12 old; and

13 WHEREAS, Teresa Johnson-Gordon was 31; she was a resident  
14 of Berwyn and a mother of three, ages nine, six, and four;  
15 she worked as a certified nursing assistant at a nursing  
16 home; and

17 WHEREAS, Danielle Green was 23 and a resident of  
18 Broadview; she was an operator with AT&T Broadband and was  
19 taking classes at a downtown school; she will be remembered  
20 as fun-loving and easygoing; and

21 WHEREAS, Charita Rhodes was 19 and a resident of the West  
22 Side; she was an Austin High School graduate taking classes  
23 at Malcolm X College; she wanted to be a nurse; and

24 WHEREAS, The seventeen others who died in the panic  
25 ranged in age from 21 to 43 years of age and their passing  
26 will forever alter the lives of their families, friends, and  
27 loved ones; they are: Nita Anthony; Robert Brown; Demetrica  
28 Carwell; Bianca Ferguson; Kevin Gayden; Debra Gill; Chanta  
29 Jackson; David Jones; Charles Lard; LaTorya McGraw; Antonio  
30 Myers; Nicole Patterson; DaShand Ray; Damien Riley; Maurice  
31 Robinson; Eazay Rogers; and Michael Wilson; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL  
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the tragic  
3 passing of so many people and offer our sincerest condolences  
4 to their family, friends, and loved ones; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
6 presented to the families of the aforementioned victims as a  
7 token of our deepest sympathy and with the sincere wish that  
8 such a tragedy never occur again.