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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives are
3 deeply saddened by the passing of Ruby Pearl White; and

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WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White was born to the union of the late
5 Leo and Delilah Grays on August 27, 1917 in New Kensington,
6 Pennsylvania; she was one of three children born to that union,
7 along with her sister Mamie and her brother Freddie, all of
8 whom preceded her in death; and

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10 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White gave her life to the Lord at an
11 early age at the 1st Church of God in New Kensington,
12 Pennsylvania; she later became a member of Crossroads Vineyard
13 Christian Fellowship in Plum Borough where she served the Lord,
her church, and her community all the days of her life; and

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15 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White met and married Charles O'Neal;
16 one child was born to this union, Frances O'Neal Williams
17 Lewis; she later married Fred White; five children were born to
18 this union, in which one, Frederick White, preceded her in
death; and

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20 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White graduated from New Kensington
21 High School in 1935; she attended the University of Pittsburgh
and served as a student advisor at Pennsylvania State

1 University's New Kensington campus; and

2 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White loved her family, her extended
3 family, and the greater community, encouraging everyone to be
4 the absolute best that they could be; and

5 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White committed her life and her work
6 to fight for social and economic justice, organizing and
7 standing up against all injustices as an active member of the
8 NAACP and as a founding member of the first official Alle-Kiski
9 Valley Martin Luther King Memorial Program at the First Church
10 of God; and

11 WHEREAS, Ruby Pearl White will be sorely missed by all who
12 knew and loved her, especially her daughters, Frances (Rev.
13 Robert) Lewis, Rebecca, and Penelope; her sons, Peter (Regina)
14 White and Paul White; her adopted daughters, Betty Moore and
15 Grace Ives; four grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and
16 many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 join with the family of Ruby Pearl White in the celebration of
20 her life; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Ruby Pearl White to be placed in
2 their book of memories of their beloved family member.