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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Alfred
4 Calvin Wilson of Chicago, who recently passed away; and

5 WHEREAS, Calvin Wilson was born to Rosie and John Wilson on
6 September 27, 1924 in Clarksdale, Mississippi; he was the
7 fourth of four children born to this loving family, Annie Mae
8 West (Herman), Nelson J. Wilson (Susie), and Catherine Curds,
9 along with his parents preceded him in death; there were over
10 20 children who were brought into this union and they were all
11 raised together, as one family; and

12 WHEREAS, In the early 1930s, Alfred moved with his family
13 to the west side of Chicago, where he attended Tennyson
14 Elementary School; at a very early age he decided he needed to
15 work in order to help his family and started his own shoe shine
16 business and worked from early morning to late night walking
17 and shining shoes in the area around the old Chicago stadium,
18 downtown Chicago, and for many blocks up Madison Street; and

19 WHEREAS, In the early 1940s he met Inez L. Porter, and they
20 were married on September 28, 1946; Alfred worked for Jefferson
21 Electric in Bellwood for 25 years; Alfred was a member of
22 Gammon Methodist Church (now Resurrection United Methodist)

1 for over 60 years; he was an active member of the Adams Street
2 Block Club; and

3 WHEREAS, He was a lover of music, and especially enjoyed
4 the big band sound, the blues, and soulful ballads; he had a
5 passion for the great outdoors and spending time on the fish
6 banks; he was a life long Cubs fan; and

7 WHEREAS, Saturday nights were always a very special night
8 in the Wilson house, the time for the family to play records,
9 dance (Al was a very smooth dancer), or gather around the
10 television for favorite shows; and

11 WHEREAS, Alfred Wilson is survived by his daughters,
12 Camille Wilson White (Julius H. White Sr.) and Alvia Wilson
13 McNeal; his six grandchildren, Keeley Ayanna Heslynn McNeal,
14 Jada Jodey Larrise McNeal, Keenan Saterial McNeal, Julius
15 Howard White Jr., Jarrad Hamilton White, and Zurry Xavier
16 McNeal; his great-granddaughter, Elliana Rose White; his
17 great-grandson, Alexander Sebastian McNeal; his special
18 nephew, Samuel Brown (Eva); and his special niece, Ruth
19 Robinson; along with a host of nieces and nephews, relatives,
20 and family; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

1 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Alfred
2 Wilson; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Alfred Calvin Wilson as a symbol of
5 our sincere sympathy.