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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Claude Gamble, who passed away on October 22, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Claude Gamble was born on January 13, 1919, in Clinton, Mississippi; he was born to the union of James Gamble and Emma Warner; and

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WHEREAS, Claude Gamble received his formal education in Clinton and Bolton, Mississippi; he and his family lived in Jackson, Mississippi before he migrated north to Hammond, Indiana, where he continued his education; and

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WHEREAS, Claude Gamble enlisted in the United States Army at Fort Benjamin Harris on June 10, 1941 and served until his honorable discharge on December 5, 1945; during his stint with the Army, he fought in World War II and received several military honors, including the American Defense Ribbon, the American Theater Ribbon, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon with Bronze Service Star, and the World War II Victory Medal; during this time, he married Lucy Rogers; together, the couple had one child and raised 2 children; and

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1           WHEREAS, After completing his service with the military,  
2 Claude Gamble returned to Hammond, Indiana and began working at  
3 Pullman and American Steele, where he retired after 25 years;  
4 he later met and married his soul mate, Dorothy Graves; the  
5 couple subsequently moved to Chicago and raised their children;  
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7           WHEREAS, Claude Gamble was preceded in death by his loving  
8 wife, Dorothy; his parents; and his brothers, Deather, Willie  
9 Bee, Lucy, and Lonnie; and

10           WHEREAS, Claude Gamble is survived by his children, Willie  
11 Earl (Rosalyn), Brenda (Deloise), Sheilah, Yolanda (Keith),  
12 Keith, Kim, and Brian (Ruthie); his grandchildren, Willena,  
13 Jacquelin, Dawn, Dante, Danye, Bria, Jakobi, Kyndra, and Brooke  
14 Dakota; his 8 great-grandchildren; his brothers, Tom, Jr. and  
15 Ocie; his sister, Sarah (Eddie); his special cousin, Eddie  
16 Davis; and his buddy, Jerry Griffin; therefore, be it

17           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
19 his family and friends, the passing of Claude Gamble; and be it  
20 further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Claude Gamble as an expression of

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1 our sympathy.