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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
- 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lacy J.
- 4 Banks; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Lacy Banks held the distinction of being the first
- 6 African-American sportswriter at the Chicago Sun-Times; he
- 7 joined the Sun-Times in 1972 and began covering the Chicago
- 8 Bulls in the mid-1980s; during his career, he covered Michael
- 9 Jordan's entire NBA career, including all six of the Bulls'
- 10 championships, and he covered the Bulls into the postseason in
- 11 2011; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In addition to his career as a sportswriter, Lacy
- Banks was also a long-time Baptist preacher; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Lacy Banks is survived by his wife, Joyce; his 3
- daughters; and his 5 grandchildren; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 17 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 18 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of
- 19 Lacy J. Banks; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Lacy Banks as an expression of our

2 sympathy.