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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 George Davis, Jr., who passed away on February 12, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. was born on April 13, 1947; he was the first of the 5 children born to the union of Helen Clay Davis and George Davis, Sr.; he married Jennifer (Anders) Davis in 1967; in 1983, he met Ardell Upton and made 'wooing' her his number 1 priority; after 20 years of sharing their lives, labors, and love, George and Ardell were united in holy matrimony on April 9, 2003; and

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WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. was raised with his brothers and sisters on the South Side of Chicago; he attended St. Laurence Elementary School and Chicago Vocational High School; and

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WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. often dreamed of being a Marine during his childhood; he eventually enlisted for active duty in the United States Marine Corps, where he did three tours in Vietnam; he was wounded during his third tour in Vietnam; he earned numerous awards, including a Purple Heart, for his service; and

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WHEREAS, After receiving an honorable discharge from the

1 Marine Corps, George Davis, Jr. returned home to Chicago and  
2 began working as an employee with the Maryville Academy; for  
3 the past 16 years, he served as a Security Officer in federal  
4 offices throughout Chicago; and

5 WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. enjoyed fishing with his sons,  
6 grandsons, and his best friend, Larry; he also enjoyed reading;  
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8 WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. was preceded in death by his  
9 parents; and

10 WHEREAS, George Davis, Jr. is survived by his devoted wife,  
11 Ardell; his beloved sons: George III (Shelley), Jarrod L.  
12 (Tina), and Clevon J. (Robin); his siblings, Cheryl Maddox,  
13 Clevon Davis, Mark Davis (Kimberly), and Adrienne Davis; his  
14 stepdaughters, LaTisha Washington (Ronald) and Kimberly Upton;  
15 his 7 grandchildren; and his many nieces, nephews, cousins, and  
16 friends; therefore, be it

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

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of George Davis, Jr. as an expression  
2 of our sympathy.