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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 David Anthony Bozeman, Sr., who passed away on July 7, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, David Bozeman, Sr. attended Dunbar Elementary School and Clark Junior High School before graduating from East St. Louis Senior High School in 1975; he subsequently enrolled at Southern Illinois University in the fall of 1975; and

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WHEREAS, As a child, David Bozeman, Sr. worked at Bozeman's Confectionery for his parents until they sold the confectionery in 1977; he later worked for the United States Postal Service from November 18, 1978 to October 17, 2003; he served as postmaster of the Caseyville Post Office from June 2, 1990 until his retirement and as postmaster of the Godfrey Post Office from February 20, 1993 until his retirement; while employed at the Postal Service, he received many service awards; and

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WHEREAS, In 2012, David Bozeman, Sr. served as the chair for the group of Illinois volunteers that built the National Baptist Congress Habitat for Humanity Home in St. Louis, Missouri; after Hurricane Katrina, he recruited Illinois Laymen to go to Louisiana and hosted annual "Shepherd vs.

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1 Sheep" basketball games to raise funds for the Second Chance  
2 Shelter; he also served on the board of New Salem Place, a Home  
3 for Seniors; and

4 WHEREAS, David Bozeman, Sr. served as president of the New  
5 Salem District Laymen Auxiliary from 2000 to 2008 and as  
6 president of the Illinois State Baptist General Laymen's  
7 Ministry; and

8 WHEREAS, David Bozeman, Sr. was preceded in death by his  
9 parents, Charles and Corine Bozeman, Sr.; his brother, Charles  
10 Leach; his sister, Denise Bozeman; and his mother-in-law,  
11 Pearline Haire; and

12 WHEREAS, David Bozeman, Sr. is survived by his wife,  
13 Yolanda; his sons, David A. Bozeman, Jr., and Rev. Michael  
14 (Nia) Owens; his grandchildren, Gavin and Micah; his brother,  
15 Charles (Carlton) Bozeman, Jr.; his sisters, Coretta Bozeman,  
16 Dr. Gloria B. (Brent) Herndon, O. Jean Pittman, Barbara  
17 (Alonzo) Monigan, Charlene Stamps, and Trueal Wheeler; his  
18 stepbrothers, Jerry (Luetricha) Wood and Robert (Agnes) Wood;  
19 his brother-in-law, Johnnie (Arleatha) Haire; his  
20 god-children, Brittany Wince, Reginald Wince II, Isaiah  
21 Williams, and Symone Griffin; his special parents, Rev. and  
22 Mrs. Norman E. Owens; his many nieces, nephews, and cousins;  
23 his fellow Laymen; his St. John family; and his many other

1 relatives and friends; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
4 family and friends, mourn the passing of David Anthony Bozeman,  
5 Sr.; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the family of David Bozeman, Sr. as an expression  
8 of our sympathy.